BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

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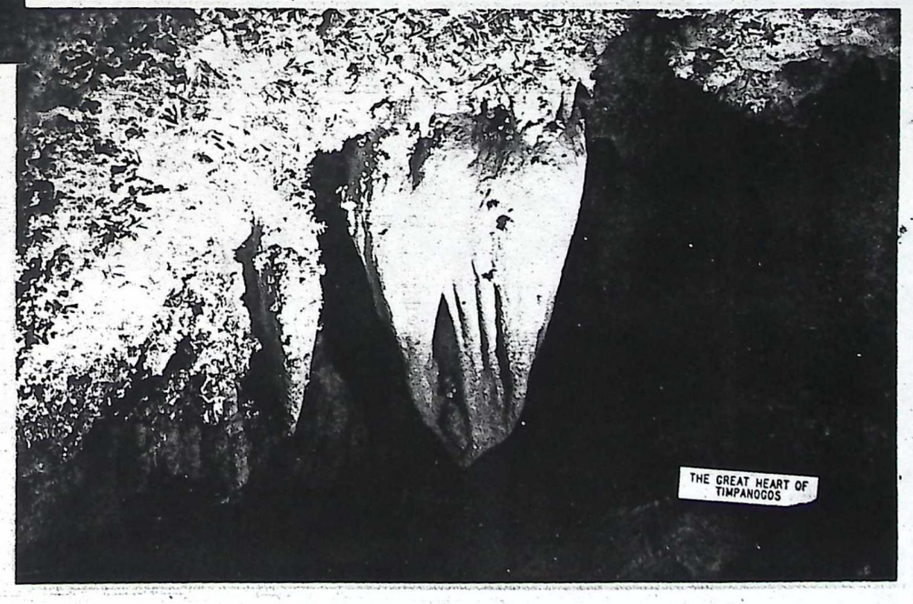
Mt. Timpanogos - Heber Valley -



The great heart of Timpanogos

THE LEGEND OF TIMPANOGOS

By Beulah Ungerman McElprang

On a high and windy Mountain,
In the Western Rocky Mts.,
Where the ancient Mujikeewis
Ruled the mighty Winds of Heaven,
  Climbed the maiden, Ucanogas,
  Climbed until she reached the summit.
There to wait until her warrior
Came to claim her hand forever.
  In marriage they would be together.

She at last had gained the summit.
There upon the crest she rested,
In the Kingdom of the Spirit,
Who slew the great bear of the Mt.
  There she planned to wait the nightfall,
  Listen to the owlet's night call.
Then Timpanac, the Nez Perce Warrior
Would start his upward climb to reach her.

As she sat there, Ucanogas viewed the valley
Wide, below her,
Where the warriors and the maidens
Danced the mystic dance of planting.
    Planting of the corn, Mondamin,
    Green and yellow maize, Mondamin.
That the Spirit, Cautantowwit
Would be pleased, and make it grow tall,
That the harvest would be fruitful,
Would be bountious in the rich fall.

When the fall comes, Cautantowwit,
Spirit God of Indian summer,
In the Heavens sets a full moon,
Color of the leaves of Autumn.
  Glowing like an Indian campfire,
  Casts a mystic spell with moonlight,
Then the corn field, ripe for harvest,
Transforms into swaying Spirits,
Becomes a dancing field of Spirits.

The stocks turn into swaying tepees.
As figures steal around the campfire,
Flames portray the chanting warriors,
Circle around in mystic rhythm.
  The war paint of the Indian Spirits
  Turn the leaves to red and orange.
And the flaming prairie flowers
Change into the Indian paint brush.

When the summer turns to Autumn,
And the leaves take on bright colors,
Then the maidens glean the corn fields,
From the stock they glean the rich corn.
  Pluck the yellow maize, Mondamin,
  Precious gift of food, Mondamin.
To be stored in earth, for winter,
When Peboam, Chief of winter,
Sends the mighty winds from north lands.
Covers all the land with whiteness.

As Ucanogas, on the Mountain
Day dreams of the Indian summer,
When the haze would fill the valley
Like a ghostly prairie fire,
    Saw she the sun set o'er the Mountain
    Of the westland, bathed in splendor.
One last splash of vivid color,
E'er the shadows of the pine trees
Lenghtened into ebon darkness.

Lo! The woeful, dismal, wailing
Of the coyote's distant howling,
Made her shiver in the darkness.
Coyote was a sign of evil!
  What is keeping Timpanac, she wonders.
  Will he find her, in the darkness?
Then the night sound of the owlet
Gave Ucanogas reassurance.
For the Spirit of the owlet,
Guardian of the night, would help her.
So she waited in the shadow,
The arrival of Timpanac.

When the moon rose o'er the Mountain,
Sending forth its silvery light shafts,
T'was the signal for the suitors
Of her hand to climb the Mountain.
  But the other treacherous warriors,
  The Cherokee and Sioux together,
Had crept away before the moon rose,
To wait in ambush, on the Mountain.

Timpanac observed the moon rise
In a rosy glow of promise,
And with joyful heart he swiftly
Started to ascend the Mountain.
  There to find the maiden waiting,
  There to claim her hand in marriage.
He would take her to his people.
She would be his Indian Princess.

Just before he reached the summit,
On a three and five foot landing,
He was startled by the warriors,
Who caught him unawares, and wrestled,
Pitting all their strength against him.
  Though he bravely fought the battle,
  Alone he could not overcome them.
And they threw his wonded body
From the ledge, to bleed and die there.

When Ucanogas, from the summit,
Saw the murder of her loved one,
In loud lament and ceaseless weeping
She threw herself down from the summit,
Called to the Spirit of the Mountain
To claim and to protect her body,
And release her grieving Spirit!
  That her Spirit be not earth bound,
  But reunited with her warrior.
That as in life they had been parted,
Now, in death, they be united.

When the Spirit of Timpanac
Arose above his bleeding body,
Went he then to Mujikeewis,
Mighty Spirit of the Mountains.
Took his peace-pipe as an offering.
To the Gods made he an offering.
  To this day, the ghostly Spirit
  Of the peace-pipe on the Mountain,
Grows, a ghostly white, a symbol
Of the sacrifice he offered.

Cried the Spirit of the warrior
To the Spirit Mujikeewis
"Take her body, as she bade you,
Guard it well from every evil,
  But to me her heart was promised,
  Give to me her heart to cherish,
That I may lock it up forever."
Then the mighty Mujikeewis pledged to Timpanac
His promise
That the heart of Ucanogas
Would be placed in sacred keeping.

Then the mightly Mujikeewis
Took the heart of Ucanogas
With the heart of Timpanac
And welded them as one, forever.
  Thus he placed them in the Mountain,
  As its heart, within the mountain.
In a cave, so dark and gloomy,
That the slinking power of evil
Feared to enter to its bosom!

For the mighty Mujikeewis,
Ruler of the winds of Heaven
Whose home is in the Rocky Mountains,
Had seen the combat, and he heard her.
Called he then to Nepahwin, Sprit of deep sleep,
To help him.
They, together, took the body
Of the lifeless Ucanogas,
Gently placed it on he Mountain,
To be called "The sleeping Woman."

  To this very day she lies there.
  On the Mountain she is sleeping.
Then the Spirit of Timpanac
Came to greet the lovely Spirit
Of his loved one, Ucanogas.
They, hand in hand, began their journey,
To the Kingdom of Ponemah,
Kingdom of the Ghost's Hereafter.

Manitour, the Mighty Spirit,
Felt for them a special warmness.
For he knew that they were worthy
Of his very special blessing.
  Yet, he knew their four-day journey,
  In the land of ghosts and shadows,
Must be lighted by a campfire,
that they might reach
The Great Hereafter.

So he sent a bolt of lightning
To light a mighty forest fire,
To light the lovers' way to Heaven,
And slay the treacherous scheming warriors
Who robbed the lovers of their earth life.
  Two days journey were the Spirits
  In their travel to the North Star,
Where the gap to their escape lay,
Where they might pass through to Heaven.

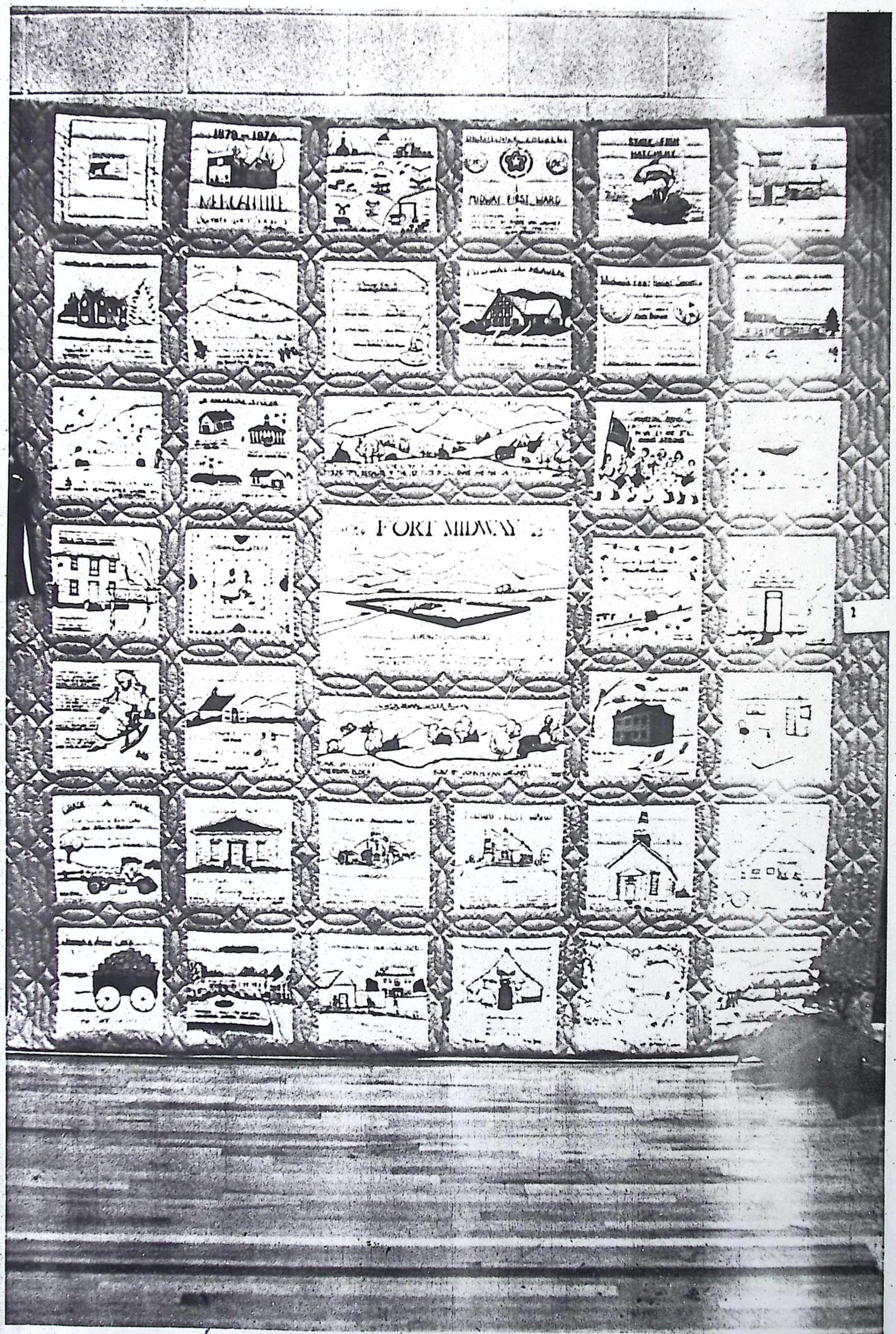
When the light of burning forest
Could no longer reach to guide them,
Then Manitour, the Mighty Spirit,
Took the frozen shafts of moonbeams.
  In a mighty arch he placed them,
  Flaming in the frozen North Lands
As a beacon light reflecting
The two lovers' way to Heaven.

Soon Timpanac and Ucanogas
Reached the land of the Hereafter,
There to dwell foreverafter
In the Kingdom of the Bless-ed.

  In the Kingdom of the North Land,
  Still the northern lights are burning,
In remembrance of the lovers
To their Heavenly home returning.
While the Rocky Mountains westward,
Covered with a misty shroud,
Lies Timpanogas, Sleeping Woman.
Resting there, among the clouds.

Editor's Note: If Mt. Timpanogos could only talk, what stories would it tell? It has seen over the centuries all of the happenings in Heber Valley. The legend of Timpanogos was written by Beulah Ungerman McElprang of Huntington, Utah. She has written poetry, Christmas stories and plays in addition to this work. Ms. McElprang is the mother of Eddis Witt of Heber City and has been working on the "legend" all winter, researching ancient Indian folklore and symbolisms. (1-3-80)

Midway Quilt



Scenes are of Midway (on quilt)

The old David Gibson Home
Midway

Midway — Old pot-
tock home on one
acre with unobstruc-
ted view of Timpan-
ogos and Deer Creek
Reservoir. $25,000.
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Manoni Gerber Diary

for 40 acres of land on the head of Spring Creek, leaving the balance due him of $900 for which I gave my note. On the property, I built a log house and began farming. Sometime later that season, I turned to Brother Smith 15 acres of land adjoining his, receiving credit on the note for $450. By selling other property, I was able to clear the note off before it was due. The land I traded for was one mile south of Midway. It proved to be very frosty, the crops being damaged both spring and fall. Finding I could not succeed in grain raising, I turned my attention to dairying. At about this time, I began peddling to Park City. This, together with farming and doing custom work with the binder, helped me to make a good living.

In the Spring of 1893, I began preparations to build a rock house. There were to be four rooms down stairs and two upstairs when finished. I had the house near encugh completed that we moved in the next spring, doing all of the work myself except some mason work and tender.

Living a mile from the meeting house, it was necessary for me to spend extra time to care for my duties in the ward. These duties were at all times my first consideration, and seldom did I allow circumstances to interfere, except during sickness or absence from home. In making improvements on this farm, my first w work was to prepare about one acre of land for garden and shrubbery. I planted more than 1000 currant and gooseberry bushes, set out shade trees (poplar) along the west line border road leading to Charleston, also a line from the road on the south of the garden flat, extending east to the brink of the hill about 20 rods. Every tree and bush grew and made a beautiful addition to the natural surroundings.

The home and garden plot were on the highest part of the farm on the northwest corner which was about 40 feet higher than the farm. A creek of spring water meandered in a southeasterly direction through my land and abounded with mountain trout, some large ones. Watercress grew luxuriantly all through the creek and during the summer time, backed the water up two to three feet deep. The cress furnished considerable feed for the cows. A portion of the land (15 acres) lying next to the creek on each side, I fenced for pasture. The corral and sheds were built on high ground just east of the house and below the bench which in winter time protected the stock from the northeast and northwest winds. One gate entered the pasture; the other led to the road.

As well as fish, wild ducks were plentiful in the creek, on which ice never formed, even in the coldest weather. In this home, two of our children were born, thus making a family of 7 children. One mile from town we enjoyed the farm life. Besides farming and dairying, I engaged in peddling farm products in Park City, 15 miles distant, making two trips each week and often three. At this time we had seven children in the family, namely; Janet A., Mabel, Jean E., Florence R., Irvin M., Stella and Lyman M. Mabel and Jean acted as boys in helping in the garden at first, and later Mabel did some milking while Janet was my wife's main help in the home.

In being thus united we became quite independent as we pro-

Midway's Oldest Native Celebrates Ninetieth Birthday

Clarence Probst and wife, Verna

Clarence Henry Probst, son of John Ulrich and Susanna Gertsch Probst, was born Nov. 6 1893 in Midway, Utah. In 1918 he married Mary Christensen of Salina. To them were born two children Clarence C. of Midway and Shirley P. Allred of Salt Lake City. Mary died in 1969 and he married Verna Berg of Murray, Utah in June of 1973.

Clarence was the guest of honor at a family dinner held Saturday, Nov. 4 at the Third Ward Recreation Ward. All of his living brothers and sisters were present in addition to his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The dinner was hosted by his 2 children and the grandchildren as follows:

Dr. Rae and Joan Johnston and family of Missoula, Montana; Robert and Jill McCune and children of Logan, Utah; Vickie Allred, Salt Lake; Jim and Annette Probst and family; and Clark and Susan Graham and children of Heber City. Nancy and Megan Jacobson came from St. George. The families of Alan and Pam Giles, and Jerry and Julie Probst from Midway. The great grandchildren numbered twenty with one great great grandchild.

A musical program was presented and a book of memories was prepared for the guest of honor.

Music

Hope of Israel

Hope of Israel, Zion's army,
Children of the promised day,
See, the Chieftain signals on-ward,
And the battle's in array!

See the foe in countless numbers,
Marshaled in the ranks of sin;
Hope of Israel, on to battle,
Now the vict'ry we must win!

Strike for Zion, down with error;
Flash the sword above the foe;
Every stroke disarms a foeman,
Every step we conq'ring go.

Soon the battle will be over;
Every foe of truth be down;
Onward, onward, youth of Zion,
Thy reward the victor's crown.

Chorus

Hope of Israel, rise in might
With the sword of truth and right;
Sound the war-cry, "Watch and pray!"
Vanquish every foe today.

O God, The Eternal Father

O God, th' Eternal Father,
Who dwells amid the sky,
In Jesus' name we ask thee,
To bless and sanctify,
If we are pure before thee,
This bread and cup of wine,
That we may all remember
That offering divine;

That sacred holy offering
By man least understood,
To have our sins remitted,
And take his flesh and blood;
That we may ever witness
The suffering of thy Son;
And always have his Spirit,
To make our hearts as one.

When Jesus, the Anointed
Descended from above,
And gave himself a ransom
To win our souls with love,
With no apparent beauty,
That man should him desire,
He was the promised Savior,
To purify with fire.

How infinite that wisdom,
The plan of holiness,
That made salvation perfect
And veiled the Lord in flesh;
To walk upon his footstool,
And be like man, almost,
In his exalted station
And die or all was lost.

High on the Mountain Top

High on the mountain top A banner is unfurled
Ye nations, now look up; It waves to all the world.
In Deseret's sweet, peaceful land--On Zions mount behold it stand!

For God remembers still His promise made of old That he on Zion's hill truth's standard would unfold!
Her light should there attract the gaze of all the world in latter days.

His house shall there be reared His glory to display; And people shall be heard In distant lands to say,
We'll now go up and serve the Lord, Obey his truth and learn his word.

For there we shall be taught the law that will go forth, With truth and wisdom fraught, To govern all the earth;

Forever there his ways we'll tread, And save ourselves with all our dead.

The Spirit of God Like a Fire

The Spirit of God like a fire is burning
The latter-day glory begins to come forth;
The visions and blessings of old are returning,
And angels are coming to visit the earth

The Lord is extending the Saints' understanding
Restoring their judges and all as at first.
The knowledge and power of God are expanding,
The veil o'er the earth is beginning to burst.

We'll call in our solemn assemblies in spirit,
To spread forth the kingdom of heaven abroad,
That we through our faith may begin to inherit
The visions and blessings and glories of God.

How blessed the day when the lamb and the lion
Shall lie down together without any ire
And Ephraim be crowned with his blessing in Zion,
As Jesus descends with his chariot of fire!

Chorus

We'll sing and we'll shout with the armies of heaven, Hosanna, hosanna to God and the Lamb!
Let glory to them in the highest be given,
Henceforth and forever; Amen and amen!

Midway 1st 2nd & 4th Ward Chapel Dedicatory Services

June Twelfth, Nineteen Hundred Eighty-Three

MIDWAY 1ST, 2ND, 4TH WARD CHAPEL DEDICATION

2:00 P.M.

June 12, 1983

Presiding Elder Thomas S Monson
Conducting President Wayne W Probst

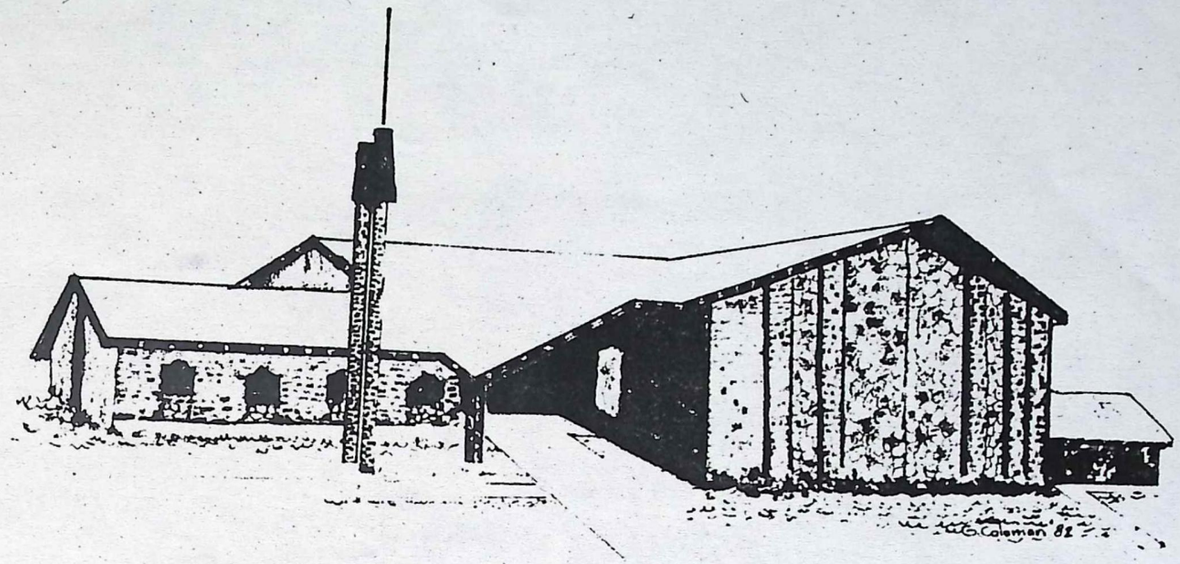
Prelude	Organ music and choir
Opening Hymn	Congregation *"Hope of Israel"*
Invocation	*Brother Clyde Alder*
Sacrament Hymn	Congregation *"O God, the Eternal Father"*

Sacrament Service

Musical Selection	Choir *"Still, Still With Thee"*
Speakers	*Bishop Edward J Kelly, Midway 2nd Ward* *Bishop Valoy Eaton, Midway 1st Ward* *Bishop Jerry Probst, Midway 4th Ward* *President Reed Ford* *President Wayne W Probst, Midway Stake*
Remarks and Dedicatory Prayer	*Elder Thomas S Monson*
Musical Selection	Choir with congregation joining *"The Spirit of God Like a Fire"* *Choir, verses 1-3* *Congregation join verse 4*
Benediction	*Patriarch Kyle Probst*

Postlude

Choir	*Combined 1,2,4 Ward Choirs*
Choir director	*Brother Ralph Britsch*
Organists	*Sisters Barbara Johnson and Florence Britsch*



Former
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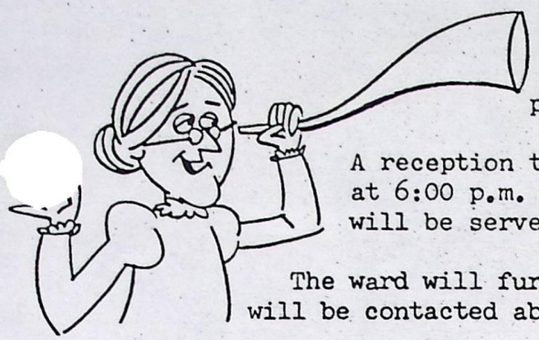
New High Council members are Keith Jacobsen and Brian Winegar. Continuing members are Harris Parcell, Dale Berg, Richard McGuire, Melvin Carlile, Ray Peterson, Jim Holmes, Charles Jenkins, Kent Ellerton, Randy Hansen, Joe Anderson, Dale Bethers, and Tom Carman.



HAVE YOU HEARD???

There is going to be a ward party Thursday, April 14th.

A reception to meet the new bishopric will begin at 6:00 p.m. At 6:30 an organized pot-luck dinner will be served. There will also be a program.

The ward will furnish the utinsels and dessert. You will be contacted about the pot-luck participation.

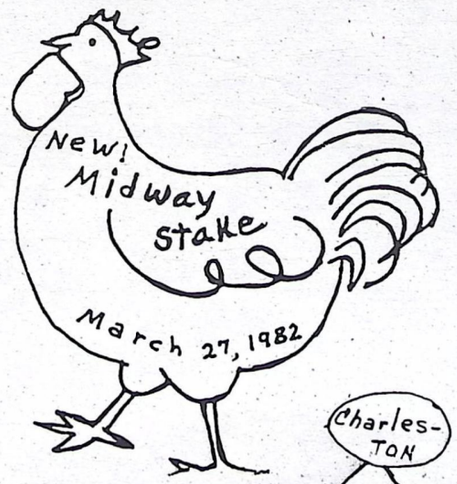
Everyone within the 4th ward boundries is invited.

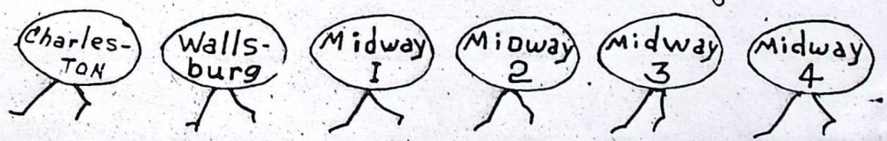
Please invite your non-member friends and neighbors.

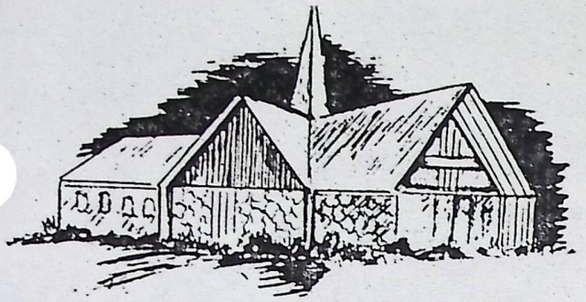
Would you like to grow your own vegetables? On April 21st and 28th there will be a gardening seminar. The meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. Jim Jenkins will be the chairman.

The missionarys are in need of two twin beds. If anyone has a twin bed or knows where the missionarys could get them, please contact them at the Roy Loertscher residence 654-1948.

SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT!!







MIDWAY 4TH WARD

FAST AND TESTIMONY MEETING — APRIL 10, 1983

Bishop Jerry Probst Presiding — Jim Sessions Conducting

Opening Hymn.....To be announced
Invocation.....By invitation
Sacrament Hymn.....To be announced
Sacrament Service.....Aaronic Priesthood

TESTIMONY BEARING

Strength Comes from Sustaining the Lord's Chosen Servants

Each Latter-day Saint has a personal responsibility to gain a testimony that Church leaders are called of God. President Harold B. Lee said, " 'That person is not truly converted until he sees the power of God resting upon the leaders of this church, and until it goes down into his heart like fire.' Until the members of this church have that conviction that they are being led in the right way, and they have a conviction that these men of God are men who are inspired and have been properly appointed by the hand of God, they are not truly converted." (In Conference Report, Apr. 1972, p. 118; or Ensign, July 1972.)

Closing Hymn.....To be announced
Benediction.....by Invitation

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EXCITING ONE-DAY LECTURE SERIES AT BYU

If you enjoy Education Week, don't miss this one-day lecture series in three separate areas: 1. "A Woman for All Seasons" by Gloria Jolley Johnson. This is designed for wives & mothers; 2. "Leadership Helps for Adults Who Lead Youth." Six interesting speakers will give their ideas for helping you work more effectively with youth, 3. "Especially for Youth" is designed to appeal to youth with six well-known youth speakers.

These will be held on Sat., April 23 from 9:00-12:00 noon and 1:00-4:00 p.m. at BYU. Tuition is $5.00 for the day-long s
For more information & registration, contact Barbara Johnson (-10

The Fort M

Faded, collecting dust, and ignored for several decades, on the second floor of the Midway Town Hall is perhaps the most historically significant artifact of Midway history; an eighteen star American Flag. It was the first flag to fly at Fort Midway and it was carried on campaign throughout the Blackhawk Indian War of 1866 and 1867 by the Midway Battalion of the Wasatch Military District.

This article has been written to bring about a greater awareness of the existence and historical significance of this flag and to encourage an appropriate site for its public display and preservation.

On the southeast corner of the Midway Town Square is a monument that was erected on July 21, 1940, by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers which bears this inscription:

MIDWAY FORT

When this valley was settled in 1859 two colonies were established on the west side of the Provo River. A lower and upper settlement, the latter called Mound City.

In 1866 Indian depredations caused the formation of the Wasatch County Military District and brought the people of the two settlements together for security. About seventy-five families erected homes on this site.

Sidney H. Epperson was the presiding elder. The location being Midway between the two sites, by common usage became Midway.

As this monument notes, Midway was created in response to dangers generated by "Indian depredations" which arose out of the Blackhawk Indian War. Although this war originated many miles to the south in Sanpete and Sevier Counties, where Chief Blackhawk incited the Ute Tribes to wage war on the encroaching settlers, the hostilities endangered other remote settlements including those struggling to establish themselves in the Heber Valley.

When Brigham Young heard of the bloodshed and destruction of the war to the south, he advised his people in sparsely-settled districts to move together and to build forts for protection and security. At the time of Brigham Young's decree there were two colonies of settlers on the west side of the Heber Valley. The first colony was established on April 15, 1859, at a cottonwood grove on the banks of Snake Creek with the arrival of the Sidney Epperson, Jeremiah Robey, Mark Smith, David Wood, and Jesse McCarrel families. The second colony was established one year later, during the summer of 1860,

Author David Epperson displays the flag that was made by his great great grandmother to be used during the Blackhawk War. Midway's Old Band.

Best Wishes

—The Fort M

Author David Epperson displays the flag that was made by his great great grandmother to be used during the Blackhawk War. Midway's Old Band.

when the Peter Shirts, Ephraim Hanks, Jno Hanks, and Riggs families arrived in the valley and settled some four miles above the first colony on Snake Creek. This upper settlement later came to be known as Mound City, presumably having been named by John Huber. After 1860 numerous other families arrived, locating on the west side of the Heber Valley and up and down Snake Creek for four miles. Sidney H. Epperson was appointed presiding Elder over the colonists on June 26, 1862, and by 1864 it is estimated that fifty-six families were members of the two settlements.

Giving heed to Brigham Young decree, the settlers on the western half of the Heber Valley agreed in principle that they should band together in one location to build a fort for mutual protection and security. However, the upper settlement colonists the lower settlement colonists did not feel like moving to the upper settlement.

In the spring of 1866, under the direction of presiding Elder Sidney H. Epperson, a compromise location was selected halfway between the two settlements and they commenced to "fort in". The name Fort Sidney was reportedly first suggested in honor of their leader and met with unanimous approval, but Sidney said, "No, we'll call it Midway."

The first step in laying out the fort and settlement was the survey of the townsite. John Huber and Sidney Epperson carried the tape, Mark Smith and Attewall Wootton the pegs, and within a few days Midway was laid out in large blocks thirty-two rods square, with a Main Street six rods wide and side streets four rods in width. A public square where the fort settlement was to be placed was set aside in the center of the new town site, and within a matter of weeks, through a tremendous community effort, seventy-five primitive dirt roofed log cabins were constructed surrounding the central square. Some cabins abutted each other, while in some instances strong panels of upright posts made palisades between cabins built slightly apart, forming an impregnable wall around the square. Small rear windows were to serve as portholes in case of attack. The inner six acres of the square were enclosed with a heavy pole fence, typical of the old pioneers, which was used as a corral for the protection of the livestock at night.

As Fort Midway was nearing completion, Major General Robert T. Burton and his Chief of Staff, Colonel D. J. Ross of Salt Lake City, made a trip to the valley for the purpose of

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When this valley was settled in 1859 two colonies were established on the west side of the Provo River. A lower and upper settlement, the latter called Mound City.

In 1866 Indian depredations caused the formation of the Wasatch County Military District and brought the people of the two settlements together for security. About seventy-five families erected homes on this site.

Sidney H. Epperson was the presiding elder. The location being Midway between the two sites, by common usage became Midway.

As this monument notes, Midway was created in response to dangers generated by "Indian depredations" which arose out of the Blackhawk Indian War. Although this war originated many miles to the south in Sanpete and Sevier Counties, where Chief Blackhawk incited the Ute Tribes to wage war on the encroaching settlers, the hostilities endangered other remote settlements including those struggling to establish themselves in the Heber Valley.

When Brigham Young heard of the bloodshed and destruction of the war to the south, he advised his people in sparsely-settled districts to move together and to build forts for protection and security. At the time of Brigham Young's decree there were two colonies of settlers on the west side of the Heber Valley. The first colony was established on April 15, 1859, at a cottonwood grove on the banks of Snake Creek with the arrival of the Sidney Epperson, Jeremiah Robey, Mark Smith, David Wood, and Jesse McCarrel families. The second colony was established one year later, during the summer of 1860,

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organizing the settlers into defined military units for greater security. On June 26, 1866, they organized the militia of Wasatch County and held an inspection drill at Heberville, where a fort had also been recently constructed. Major Witt of Heberville was placed in command of the District which had three battalions--one of cavalry and two of infantry--to be known as the Wasatch Military District. Sidney Epperson and John Hamilton were appointed Majors over Fort Midway, with John Watkins as bugler.

Fort Midway was conducted under military law, having officers and picket patrol, with men arising to assigned duty at the call of the bugle. The militia was in complete charge of all activities necessary for the welfare and general good of the community.

With the organization of the Military District and the approaching completion of the Fort Midway settlement, Sidney Epperson was concerned about the lack of availability of an American Flag of "colors" to be flown at Fort Midway and to be used on campaign against the indians. Realizing the importance of having a suitable flag for the battalion and Fort Midway use, Mary Jane Robey Epperson, Sidney's Wife, commenced the construction of a large American flag. The material for the flag came from bedsheets, which were hand dyed and sewn. When completed, the flag contained less than the standard 13 stripes of red and blue and had only 18 of the 34 stars typical to the American Flag utilized throughout the Civil War years from 1861 to 1865--an omission necessitat-

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Midway Flag History (Continued)

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ed due to the exigencies of time, material and circumstances.

When completed, the flag was utilized by the Midway Battalion throughout the Blackhawk Indian War, which ended in 1867 after talks between the Indians and Mormon leaders occurred at Mount Pleasant in Sanpete County. At that time, most of the Ute Indians were persuaded to settle on a reservation in the Uintah Basin. Chief Tabby, another Ute leader in the late summer of 1867, brought tribe members to the Heber Valley, and after ;moking the peace pipe with community leaders, entered into a peace agreement. With peace having been declared, the settlers put on a tremendous feast for the indians and sent them away with gifts including clothing, blankets and hats.

The Blackhawk War lasted for two years and resulted in the death of fifty settlers and resulted in property loss to the settlers of more than $1,000,000.00. Fortunately, Fort Midway was never attacked during the Blackhawk War. When it was time to disband, most of the settlers decided to remain near Fort Midway. The old fort location was preserved by the town as a public square and the upper and lower settlements were never rebuilt.

Sidney H. Epperson, in 1872, built a home across the street from the town square, which is now owned and occupied by Winona Epperson. With the disbanding of the fort, the old eigteen star American Flag remained in the possession of Sidney H. Epperson until his death in 1913. Prior to his death, it was carried in special parades and events in Midway and Heber.

Sid Epperson, a grandson of Sidney H. Epperson, carried the old flag on horseback from 1954 through 1960 at the Midway Harvest Festival, later called Swiss Days. The flag remained in the Sidney H. Epperson home until 1967 when Dan and Mollie the last surviving children of Sidney H. Epperson, entrusted the flag to Lethe Coleman Tathge to ensure its preservation. Since 1967 the flag has remained on the second floor of the Midway Town Hall, largely ignored and forgotten.

There are many individuals still residing in the Heber Valley who are fourth-, fifth-, or sixth-generation descendants of the early settlers who "forted in" at Midway during the Blackhawk War. The old fort Midway Flag, now 118 years old, symbolizes the courage and community spirit of those first inhabitants of Wasatch County, and it would seem appropriate to make more readily available for public display the "Old Fort Midway Flag" at such special occasions as Swiss Days, where this community celebrates and gives thought to its rich heritage and history.

Come On Out and
Enjoy Swiss Days

Good Luck To

Memorial Hill

Memorial Hill, long a meeting place for special events in Midway, may possibly have been used by others long before the coming of the 19th century. A Mr. Nelson wrote in a book of Danish archeological trivia, that a strange depression found on top of this hill (located where the flag now stands) was a Danish burial plot. He based this upon the way in which the rocks lining the "grave" were placed, as well as its size, shape, etc. Mr. Nelson speculated that when the Danes (Vikings) set out on an expedition during the time of Lief Erickson to circumnavigate the globe, the group came through Heber Valley as they traveled along a great arch to reach their goal. The tomb found on our hill apparently matches one found in Australia, and another in Denmark, and is supposedly in direct line with these other two.

We do know that Memorial Hill was an island in Lake Bonneville. Indian relics found on the hill also lead to speculation that it may have been an indian burial ground.

When the pioneers came, the mound was included in the homestead of Jesse McCarroll, and for many years was known as "Jesses' Mound."

When the indian troubles began in 1866, the settlers along the Snake Creek, fortified themselves in Fort Midway, posting a lookout atop "Jesses' Mound" to keep a sharp eye pealed for trouble.

In 1928, the Wasatch County Commissioners purchased the hill, renamed it to Memorial Hill, and dedicated it as a memorial to all those brave men from the county who served their country in the armed forces during times of armed conflict. The memorial itself, found atop the hill, had listed the names of those who served, and indicated with stars, those who had been wounded and those who died. These listings were on bronze plates, which were stolen by vandals in 1980. The county commission plans to replace the plaques soon.

The parade route has been changed for this year's activities. It will begin at the Town Hall and then go around 1st North, down and back on Main Street both nights.

Midway Schools Past and Present

As in all Utah communities, education was and is very important to the people of Midway.

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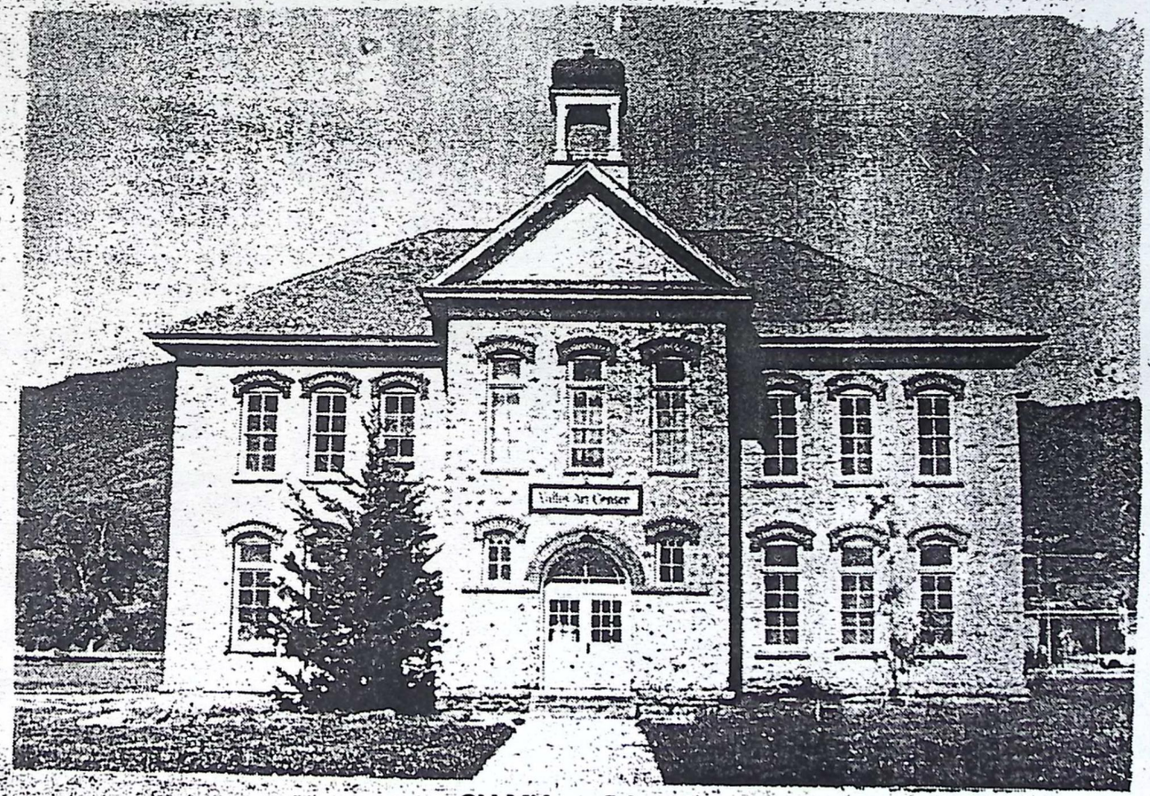

Old Midway School house.

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The first school was on First South and Main Street and doubled as a recreation hall. It was called Van Wagoner's Hall. Later, another school was built on the corner where the town hall is now located. This was a two story building with two rooms upstairs, two rooms downstairs, and a stairway on the outside of the building. There were eight grades; four upstairs and four downstairs. A third school house was built, and still stands, on the town square, but is no longer in use. It was constructed mainly of native pot rock, with a bell tower similar to the ones in Switzerland.

The bell originally was rung everyday at the beginning of class. Later it was rung by John Boss Jr., only on holidays and all town celebrations and funerals. In the last few years that this school was used, the bell was rung at the beginning and at the end of the school year. The outstanding citizen (boys only) were given the honor of ringing the bell at the end of the year.

The bell was removed from the old school and is now found in the marquee at the new Midway Elementary School which is now six years old.

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Old Midway School Roof Collapses, Taking Memories With It

MIDWAY—Early Saturday morning the roof of the old Midway School collapsed under the heavy weight of snow, accumulated during the winter.

The building collapsed on the north end, sending the attic and ceiling crashing down, blocking all admittance to the second floor of the structure.

Insurance adjustors came to the scene on Wednesday morning, and the City Council will take action in their next meeting as to the consequences of the building.

There were no injuries involved in the incident, though a scout troop was constructing a troop project in one of the lower rooms.

When the roof of the old Midway school collapsed, mingled amidst all the rubble were memories spanning over 80 years.

There were two settlements in the Midway area at first, but as Indians and other elements became a problem, both groups of people decided to band together for better protection. Neither group wanted to move their settlement to the other one so it was decided to compromise and go halfway between the two, or in other words 'midway'. And thus the town of Midway was born. It grew and flourished with its predominately Swiss citizens. The town soon outgrew its one-room school house and so a new school was built on the town square.

By 1898, the citizens realized that they had outgrown this school too. A public meeting was held that year, and the taxpayers voted to trade the present school lot and buildings for the north half of the public square. They also agreed to a ½ percent tax to be used to build the new school.

John Boss, one of Midway's Swiss residents, was appointed architect of the proposed school. He was well known as a builder in Switzerland. He was considered a perfectionist and took great pains to make sure that his work was done right. He took advantage of the native limestone or "potrock" and included this easily quarried stone in his plans. The structure was to have two levels with four rooms. The builders also used sandstone from Heber for trim along the water table and locally-made bricks for trim along the windows.

The building was actually started in 1901. Bids were taken in May and by October it was almost completed. School classes moved into the building in November.

Even before the school was finished, the people saw that the building would be too small for their needs. Provisions were made to add on to the building in 1910, when the school district took a $7,000 bid to complete an addition. This new addition added four new classes, an office, and two restrooms. The pot belly stoves were also replaced with a heating plant that housed a hot air furnace.

The school continued as an elementary school from 1910 until 1975. No structural changes were made during this time period. In 1975, the present Midway Elementary School was completed so all the students were moved.

The city of Midway received an option to buy the building and the north half of the town square, and during the summer of 1977 they completed the sale.

Since the time that Midway was offered the building, it has been used for different purposes. The Valley Art Center used it for a few years to house local artist's studios and classes in art. It has been used by the community as a social center and storage area. At different times it was rented out for dance, tumbling and aerobics. It had been used as the valley's Special Education Center. The Midway Boosters used it for their annual Swiss Days, where they displayed art and hand work. Its' grounds were graced with artist's paintings. At the time of the roof's collapse, an office had been rented by the Midway Irrigation Co.

In November of 1977, the Utah Sites Preservation Committee, of the Division of State History, recommended that the old Midway School be added to the National Register of Historic Places.

In a letter dated April 10, 1978, Midway was notified that this building was now listed on the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service. It was signed by William J. Murtagh, Keeper of the National Register. With this listing, Midway City would be eligible to obtain matching funds, from state and federal agencies, for restoration of the structure.

But, unfortunately, according to Shirley Chatwin, Midway City Recorder, "eligible does not mean qualify". Midway tried numerous times to get funding for renovation or remodeling but was unsuccessful. The Midway Boosters made a special search to find funding but were also unsuccessful.

And so, as the saying goes, "If only these walls could speak", what memories could be heard from this building?

The laughter of children. Lessons of numbers and grammar. Talking and challenging to walk around the sandstone ledge without falling off. A grandson, then his son, and then his grandson all attending the same school.

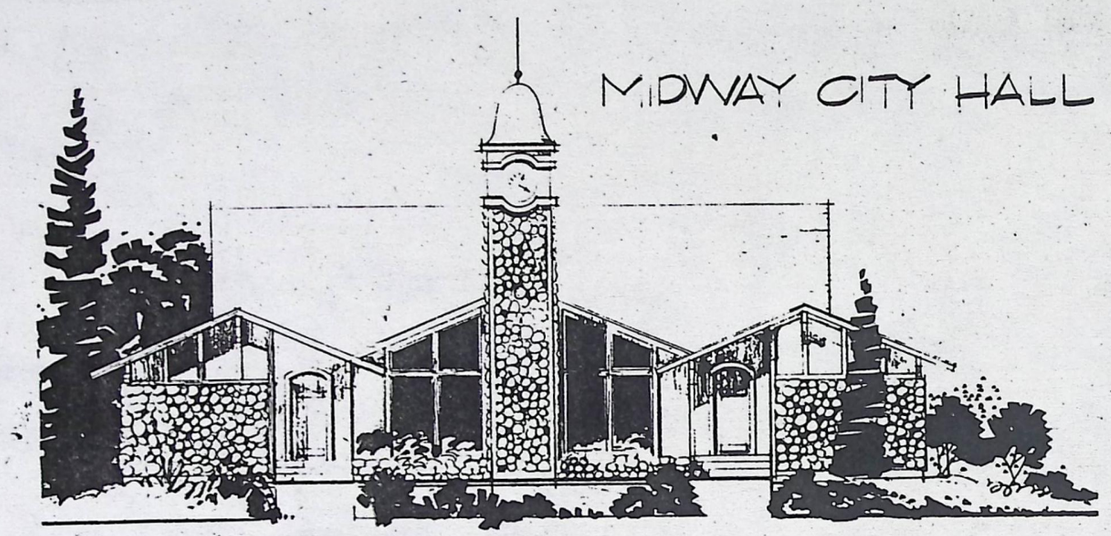
Perhaps we would smell some paint from an artist's brush, or see the building standing as if it belonged in the middle of paintings and admiring crowds.

Maybe we could hear the shouts of children on the swing set or young men playing a good game of baseball, or music coming from a band nearby.

Just perchance we could feel the dignity that comes from standing through the changing times and weather for over 80 years, more than some humans last.

The old Midway school has been part of Midway's growing up. Its' future is uncertain at this point, but no matter what happens, it was part of Midway's charm and part of its' ongoing history.

The Old Midway Elementary School roof gave way to the snow, crashing down onto the second floor. Melting snow has flooded the first floor.



Midway Shows Plans For New City Hall

MIDWAY (Dec. 5) - Midway City announced today that a contract has been signed for construction of a new city office building.

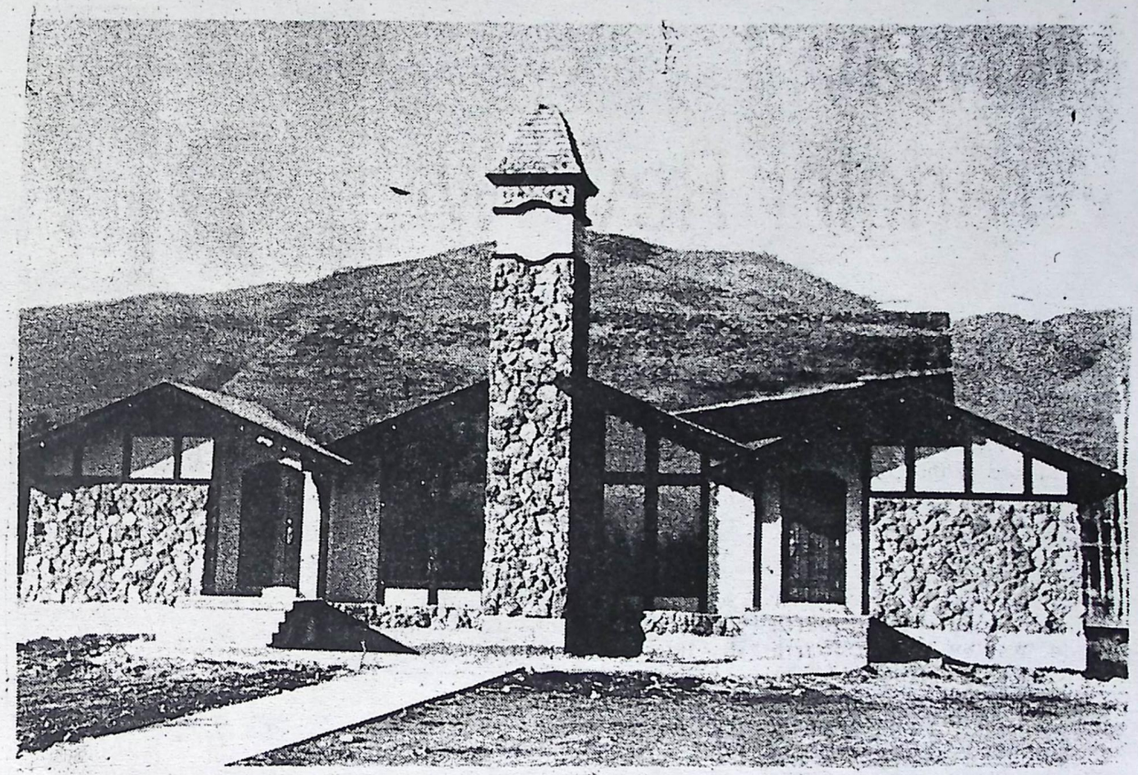
The new building will stand on the property once occupied by the Midway school, which has been demolished.

In making the announcement, Mayor Eugene Probst stated that, although there was some criticism of the building, it has been in the planning stage for the past six months. Responding to the criticism Probst said that it was his feeling that the majority of the community favored the new community and that no public hearing was necessary because Midway was not borrowing or bonding to pay for the building. "In fact," said Probst, "I don't know if any other city in the state can say they have the money in the bank for a new office building."

When completed, the new structure will contain 4000 square feet on the main floor. The basement will be left unfinished until such time as the space is needed for expansion.

The building is designed in a Swiss mode to blend in with other buildings on the town square. The exterior will feature stucco, native rock and a clock tower. Inside there will be eight offices, two multi-purpose rooms and a large open foyer.

Total cost of the building is $203,000. Midway City will do part of the construction, including excavation and landscaping. The architect is George Olson of Provo, and the contractor is Bryant Anderson of Midway.



The final touches and Christmas decorations are being put on the new Midway City office building in the Midway Town Square and an open house is being planned to celebrate the event. It will be held Friday, Dec. 5, from noon until 8:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend this festive occasion and to inspect the new building. The Swiss theme of the town has been carried through by the architect, George Olson, who also designed the buildings at Swiss Oaks. Native pot rock has been used to enhance the beauty of the building by contractor Bryant Anderson.

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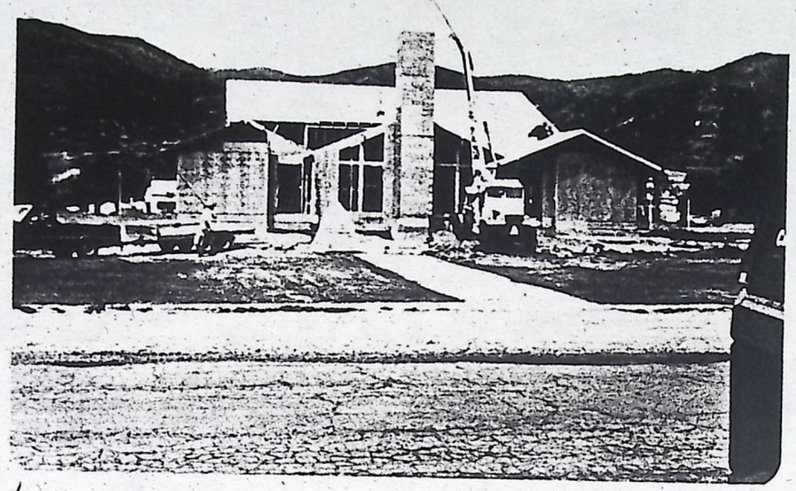

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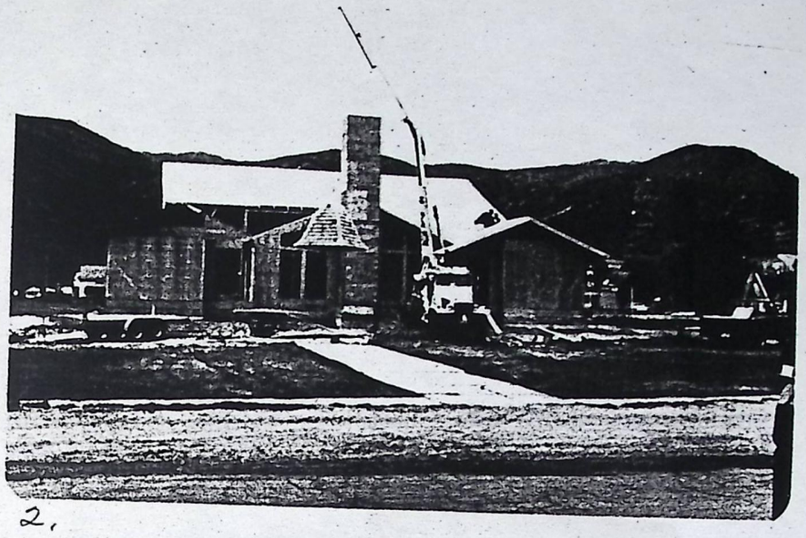

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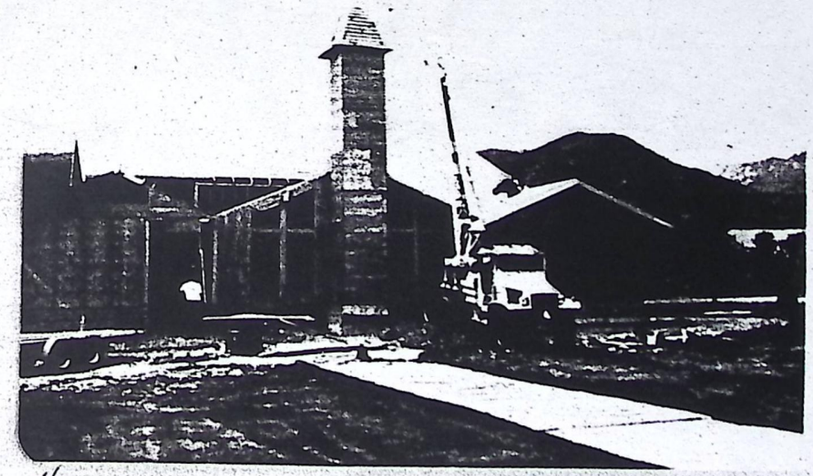

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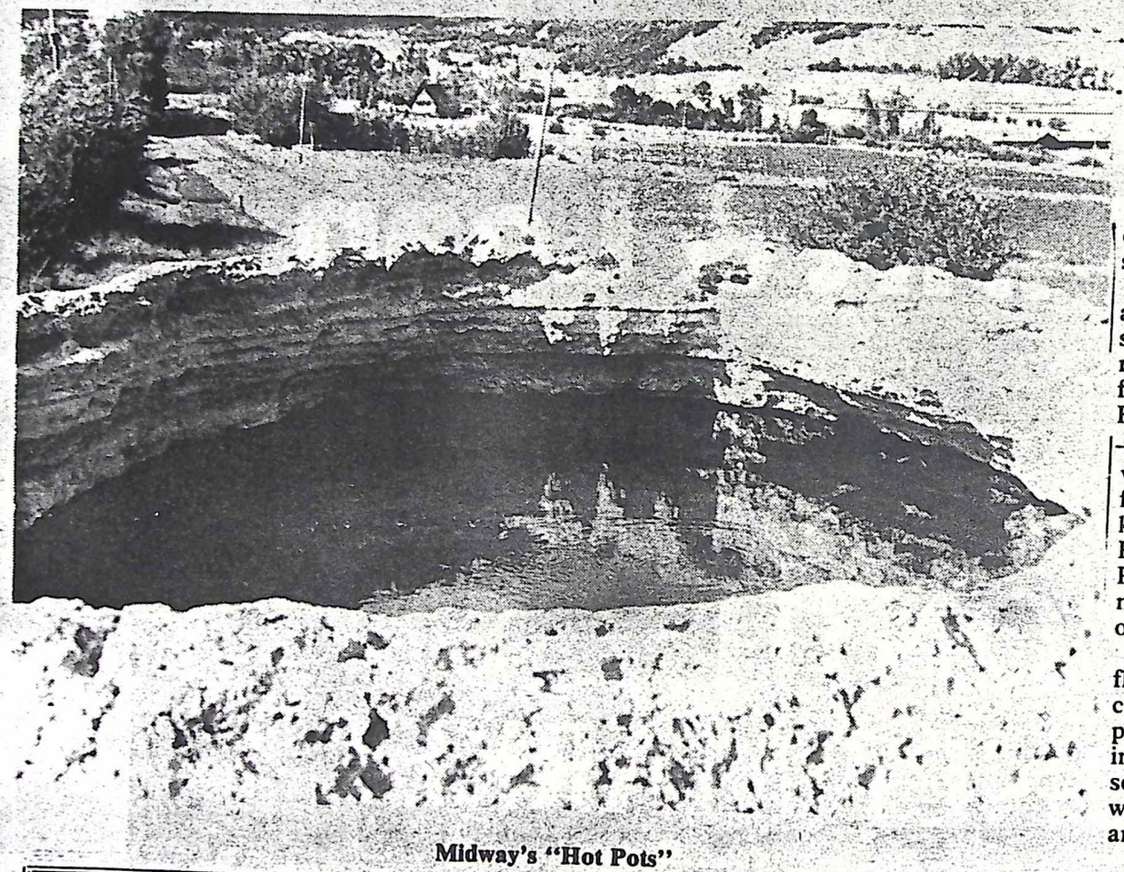

Midway's "Hot Pots"

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out the growing season, some still insist that it helped.

The hot springs lime formations, or "Hot Pots" are scattered around the valley. The most notorized is the huge formation near where the Homestead is located.

The Homestead is of historical value because it was one of the first resorts in Midway. It was known first as "Schneitiers Hot Pots". Surrounded by the Hot Pots, the Homestead provided nicely built bathing facilities, and offered good home cooking.

There was actually water flowing from this, the largest crater, in the early days. Many people feel that when the mining in the Park City area began to be so heavy that it dried up the water sources for the Hot Pots and some surrounding springs.

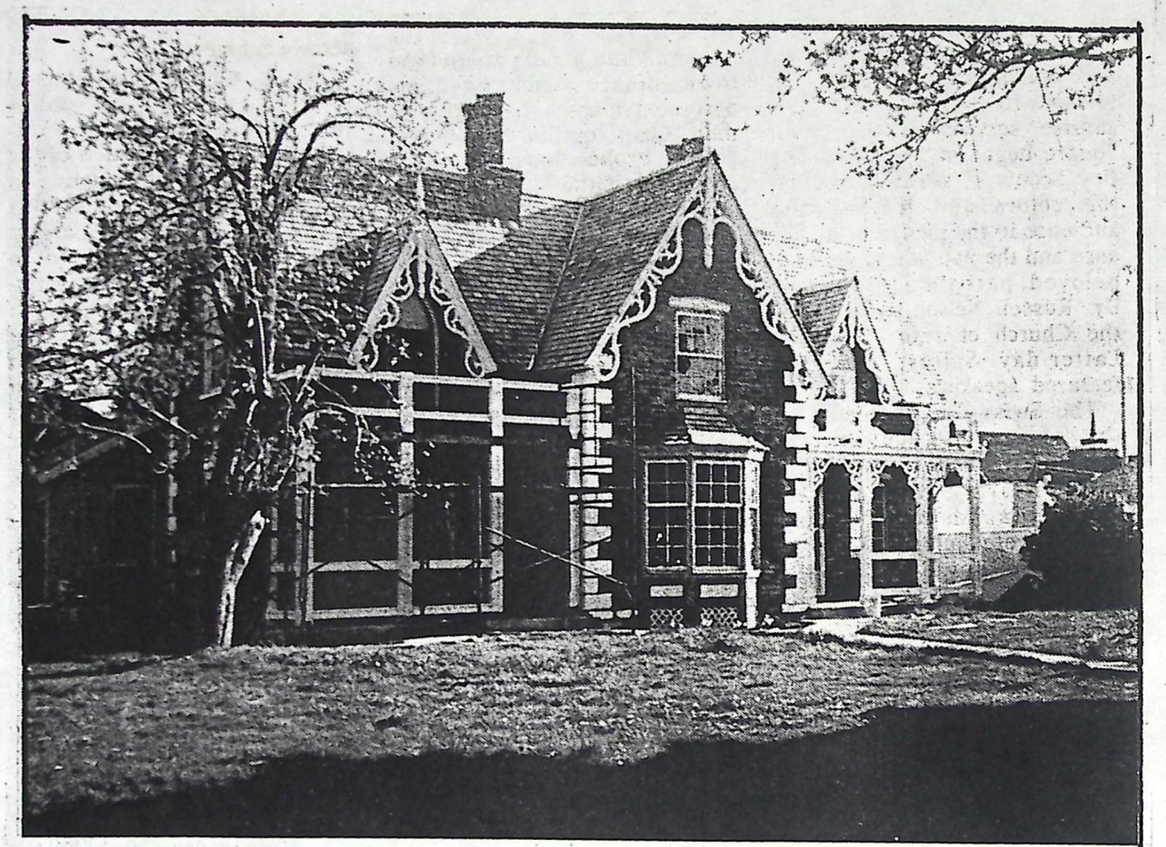
As Schneitter Hot Pots first began, they accumlated the water and brought it into the swimming area, but it was constantly changing course and often times became filthy because of storm and dust. Presently there is a line brought in from underground to the swimming pool, though there is a natural swimming pool at the Homestead.

Many have estimated that there is an endless depth to the pool at the Homestead Hot Pots. Some of the wildest gruesses range from 600 feet to a thousand and up.

Another facility which gained notoriety in the hot water spring bathing was the "Luke's Hot Pots." This was another that took advantage of the warm spring waters, and turned them into a place for people to relax. It is presently called the Mountain Spaa.

Andrew Luke established the bathing facility.

Bonner Home



Built in the late 1800's, the George and Margaret Bonner home on Main Street in Midway is in the process of being restored to its original beauty by John Told of Pleasant Grove, an authority on antiques and early Utah architecture. The work by local contractors was begun in 1985.

Restoration Nears End

John E. Told, a talented set designer noted for his skill in authentic period decor, is putting his talent and extensive knowledge to work on restoring the old George Bonner home at Bonner's Corners, 105 East Main, in Midway, to its Gothic Revival condition.

The house has changed hands several times since its original owners George and Margaret Bonner. It's most recent owners were Rulon and Vonda Huntington. It was originally built by John Watkins, a well-respected Utah architect. Watkins also built his own home (now the Lethe Coleman Tatge home), the Provo Tabernacle, and numerous other beautiful and well-known buildings. Watkins was commissioned to build the home, along with two similar ones and a Mercantile on four adjoining corners by George and Margaret Bonner's sons William and George Jr. The boys had the house on the Northeast corner built for their parents, the Southeast house for William, and the Southwest one for George Jr. Shortly thereafter they were both married. William married Sarah Eliza Bronson and George Jr. married Phebe Alexander.

Until the Mercantile was finished, the store opened for business in an upstairs room of the parents' home. The home is now being restored to its original beauty, and will fittingly also be used as a business: this time as a Reception Center and Swiss-Austrian Restaurant. The decor will be furniture of the period.

John Told comes well-prepared to the task of restoring some of the beautiful history of Wasatch County. As a child, Told, of Pleasant Grove, Utah, was often caught either daydreaming or watching T.V. (His mother often told John he "would never amount to anything watching all that T.V.!) He developed early a love for antiques and began learning about them, and dreaming about someday...

After three years as an art major in three dimensional art at Weber State in Ogden, John was open for the opportunity of his life which came in the summer of 1971 as he worked two jobs in Jackson Hole, Wyoming. He was part of the Cash Creek Posse that chased and caught "Teton Bill" after he robbed the stagecoach—three times daily all summer. He also worked as an extra soldier and wrangler for a Warner Brothers movie with Rosalind Russell being filmed in Jackson Hole. When Warner Brothers told him they needed set designers in Hollywood, he willingly followed them, being also lured by the beautiful, young Californian school marm he "rescued from Teton Bill" on the stagecoach. He left college opting instead for practical experience in his field.

He has expertly designed sets for a long list of television shows including "The Love Boat," "Trapper John, M.D.", "The Carol Burnett Show" and "All in the Family." He was nominated for an Emmy Award for Best Set Decoration for the Donny and Marie Osmond Show.

John is currently in Los Angeles restoring the entire house used in the filming of the Falcon Crest series for the 1986-87 season. During the "cliffhanger"—the closing suspense-filled show of 1985-86 season of "Falcon Crest"—the house was almost entirely destroyed by an earthquake. When he has completed his work with Falcon Crest, John will begin work in Boston with "Spenser: for Hire." He is looking forward to the change and is particularly excited about living in an area of such historical significance. He plans to broaden his knowledge of historic restoration during his stay in the East.

John returns to his home in Pleasant Grove and his exciting job in Midway as often as he can, usually twice a month. He is currently in the process of purchasing the Lethe Tatge home in Midway with plans to maintain it as a Watkins museum featuring the Coleman furniture.

Birthday Celebration

Alberta Provost

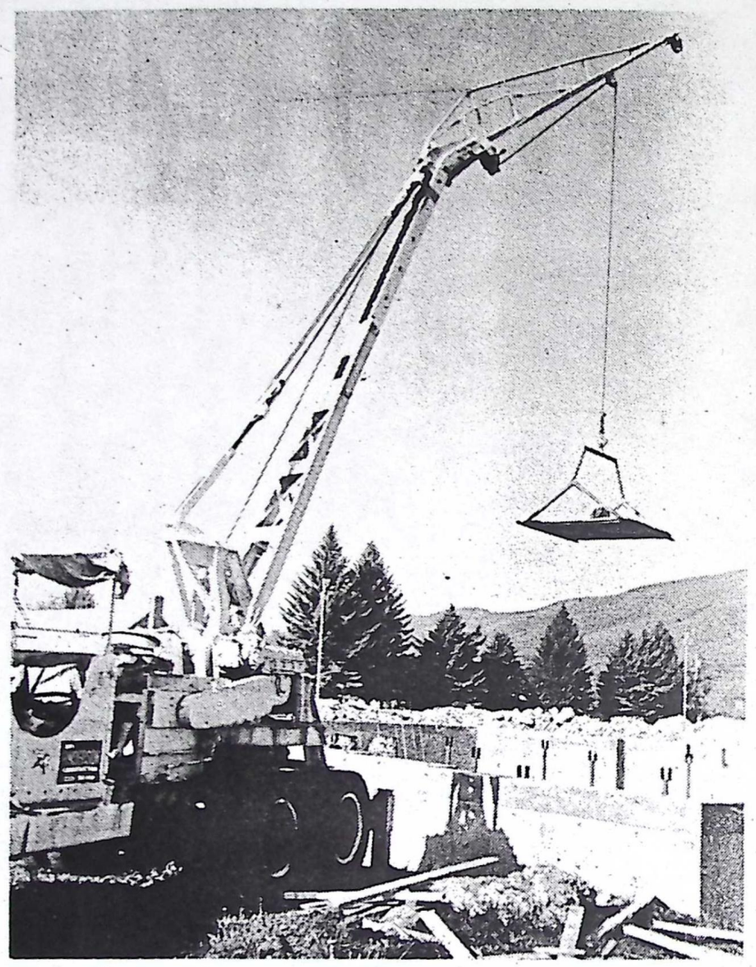
The family of Alberta Provost are having a birthday party for her on Sun., June 28, at the Midway 3rd Ward Chapel, 160 West Main in Midway, 2-5 p.m. All friends and relatives are invited to come. Just your presence is desired. No gifts, please.

She has lived in Midway all her life and served in all the organizations. She served in Primary for 50 years and Relief Society. She also served an 18-month mission to the California, Fresno mission.

She has four children: Neil and Sara Nelson; Fred and Genny Provost; Carl and Cheryn Provost; Ralph and Aillen Walker. There are 18 grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. Two sisters, Marion Provost and Norma Fitzgerald.

The Homestead Resort.

Homestead



Midway City Office Building Progressing Slowly

Construction on the new Midway City Office Building has not progressed as far as originally projected for May due to the difficulty in blasting through the pot-rock for the basement, but Bryant Anderson Construction still projects Swiss Days as the completion date for the Swiss-style building.

The city who was doing the blasting and excavation had expected to be completed in October of 1985, but ran into difficulty due to the underlying pot-rock in the area. In addition to the blasting, jack hammers also had to be used by the construction company in a painstakingly slow operation to complete the excavation and prepare for the foundation.

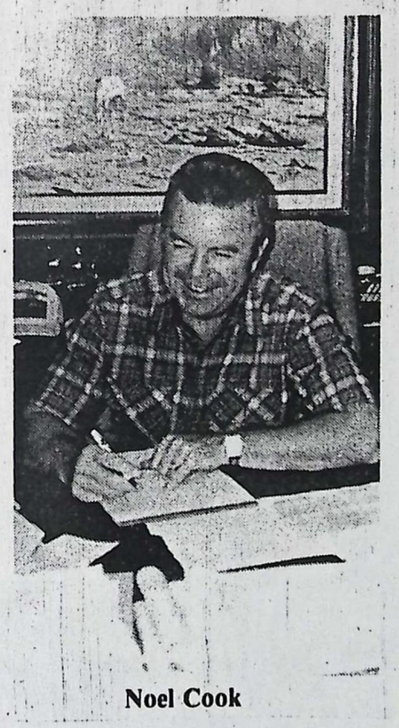
Now, with the foundation and basement walls poured and the steel braces in place, the work for the coming week will entail pouring the basement floor - to be done in four settings - and placing the huge floor beams with a crane. After that is completed, the floors and walls will go up quickly and progress will be easily visible.

In keeping with Anderson Construction's company policy, local sub-contractors are being used whenever possible. Those who have worked on the structure to this point are: Huffaker Plumbing, Lynn Webster Construction, Corbett Electric and Probst Masonry.

The Midway City Council opened their meeting Thursday night in the new office building, with the presentation of a lovely clock for the building by Ruby Provost. In presenting the gift, she explained that "the little token" was in appreciation to the city, the council and all in the city who have worked so hard under many adverse circumstances to bring the project to its completion. She noted that it is the people that care about a community that make it special. She wished the council and the city well in their endeavours for many future years. The Mayor accepted the gift and thanked Ruby for her many years of being involved in the interest and projects of Midway.

The construction of the new grocery and gas outlet that replaced the historic Coleman's Store is well under way according to the developer of the project, Noel Cook.

Cook Sets Opening Date For New Midway Grocery Store



Noel Cook

Noel Cook, President of Cook Oil of Heber City projects July 4, 1986 as the opening date for the new grocery store - gas station being built on the corner of Center and Main streets in Midway.

This is one of many such projects that Cook has built. His two experienced builders have supervised the building of this same store in numerous locations in Utah, Idaho, Wyoming and Arizona. The following local subcontractors have also been used on the project in accordance with Mr. Cook's policy to use local businesses: Can-Do Excavating, Brent Hill Corporation, Ab Neerings & Sons Plumbing, Binggeli Rock Products, Huffaker Plumbing, Wright and Jordan Heating and Air Conditioning, Monroc Concrete, D & K Equipment Service, and Bing Christensen Surveyor. Other local companies will be involved with completing the project.

The project will have six pumping islands with all grades of gas and diesel. The large convenience store will have fresh produce and a deli serving Snelgrove ice cream, hamburgers, hot dogs, and nachos. There will be a film processing service and VCR rentals. Fish and game licenses will be sold. The store will employ four or five local people. Mr. Cook aims to cater to local people as well as to the tourist trade that goes through Midway because of the State Park, Deer Creek, and other fecreational facilities in the area.

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Midway Merchants give Main Street a Face Lift

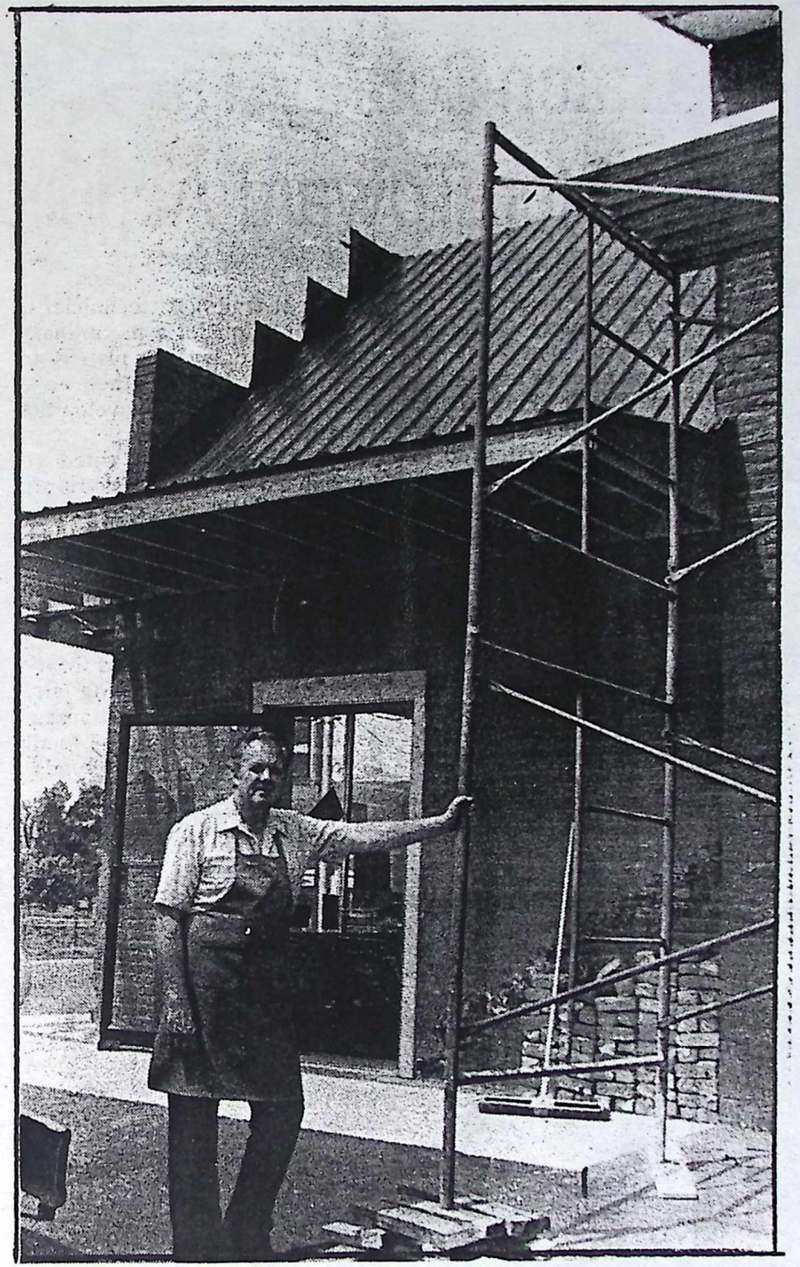
Midway Main Street is undergoing a face lift. In May, Dick Nielson began renovations on Nielson's Midway Merc. Dick's plans include weeks of inside and outside cosmetic changes which will add a Swiss look to the 107 year old building.

Karl North, Richard Turner and their employees began the renovation by modifying the roof line, adding an East side porch and building a Swiss-style stairway to the upstairs apartment. Craig Paving of Orem, blacktopped a parking area on the East and Bellows Glass put in a new entrance. Kevin Winterrose did the excavation work and Les Corbett was hired to make the necessary electrical changes.

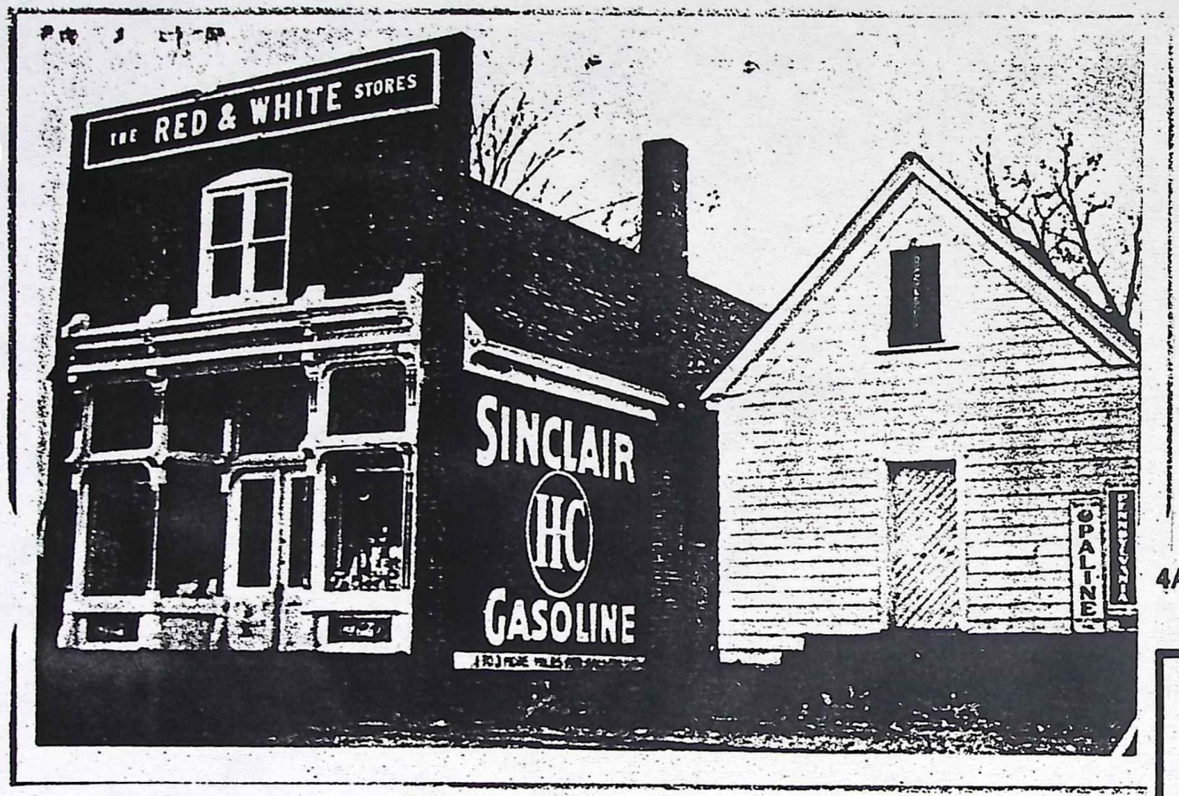
This week the work has been concentrated on a partial re-roofing of the front of the building by North and Turner. Probst Masonry will begin potrocking the front of the stairs and porch this week and Wayne Bonner is styling a railing to be installed.

Final plans include stuccoing the entire front and East side with a Swiss chalet look Folk art designs will be painted by a Bavarian painter for a decorative finished look.

Inside work will include carpeting and shelving changes. Dick hopes to be completed before Swiss Days and have a grand opening.



Dick Nielsen inspects the progress of the remodeling that is underway at Nielsen's Midway Merc.

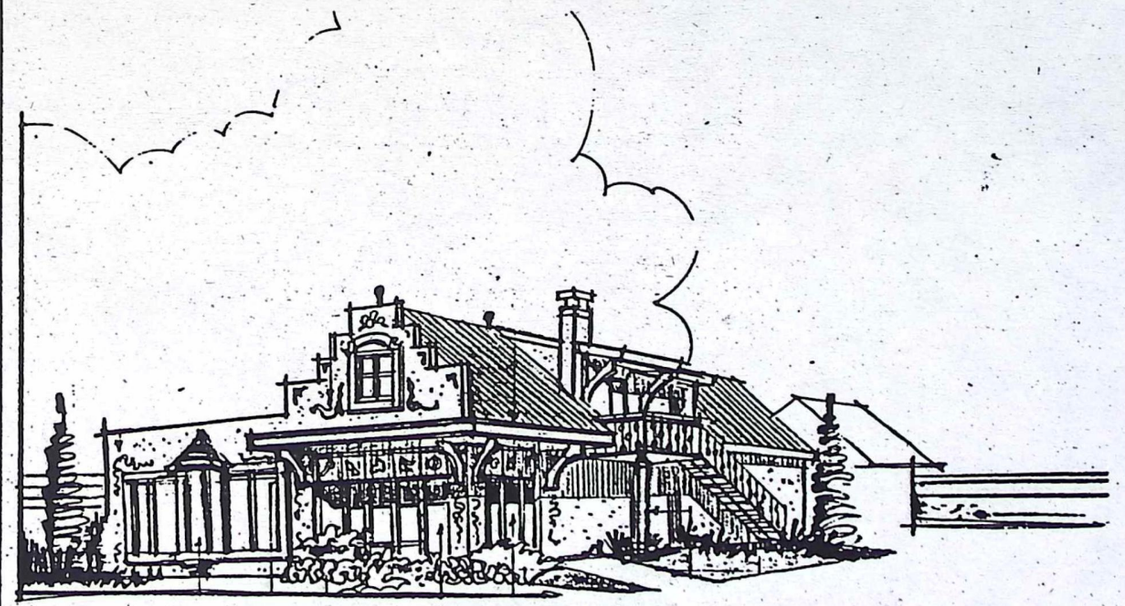


The Bonner Mercantile was built and owned by George and Willima Bonner in 1879.
They later divided their property and George whose children were girls took the store and Willima who had both girls and boys took the land, cattle and horses.

After Mr. Bonners death the store was managed and owned by his daughter Margaret and husband Albert Stewart, with June as the bookkeeper.

In 1948 they sold it to Leland and Glenna Ivers, she was the daughter of Tom Bonner a brother of George and William.

Leland & Glenna leased it to Rulon ad Vonda Huntington then later sold it to Richard Neilson.



Nielson's Midway Merc is progressing rapidly with its new face lift. The pot rock and stucco is on and is being prepared for the decorative hand-painting to be done on the front of the store. The painting will be done by the Bavarian-style painter Gerhard W. Lipp who has done the decorative painting on a number of buildings in Midway already. Other additional touches will be done on the front and roof later. Dick Nielson is looking forward to an August completion date.

Special Swiss Days Postal Cancellation

by Jane Farnum

Letters are pouring into the Midway post office from just about every state and even foreign countries for a special postal cancellation commemorating Swiss Days 1987.

Postmaster Kay Probst is very excited about the special cancellation. "It is a once in a lifetime opportunity," he said. The letters he has received will be post marked during Swiss Days and returned to the many people who have requested the unique hand stamp. "I imagine the way the letters are pouring in each day that we will have two to three hundred by the weekend," Kay said.

The cancellation has been written about in many stamp collectors' magazines and has had world wide publicity. Stamp collectors from all around the world will have a little bit of Swiss Days and Midway in their albums. After all the envelopes have been post marked, they will be bundled separately from the other mail and returned to Salt Lake and then on to their owners.

Kay has also ordered 1,000 post cards with a picture of the Midway Town Hall on them to be sold at a special booth during Swiss Days. These cards will be hand cancelled during the celebration for visitors. If you want any for your collection, you better not waste time, because they will probably go faster than the proverbial hot cake.

A special Swiss Days Station booth incorporating an old post office sign will be set up by the Boosters for this event.

The design for the hand cancel was done by Velma Evans of Midway. It includes an American flag and a Swiss flag along with the dates and lettering on top that proclaims: Swiss Days Station, Midway, Utah. At the bottom of this large rubber stamp is a flower. It is a very handsome design for this wonderful occasion.

Swiss Days Station will have many different stamps to sell to go along with the hand cancel and the special post card. There is a really beautiful sheet of wildlife stamps the post office has put out that will go well in every collector's book.

Make sure you don't miss out on this rare item, it probably won't happen again. It will be part of Midway's history. Everyone should have a post card with a hand cancel to put away, even if you are not an active philatelist.

Grand Opening

Pioneer Swiss Pastries
Knockwurst

Antiques and Handcrafted Folk Art

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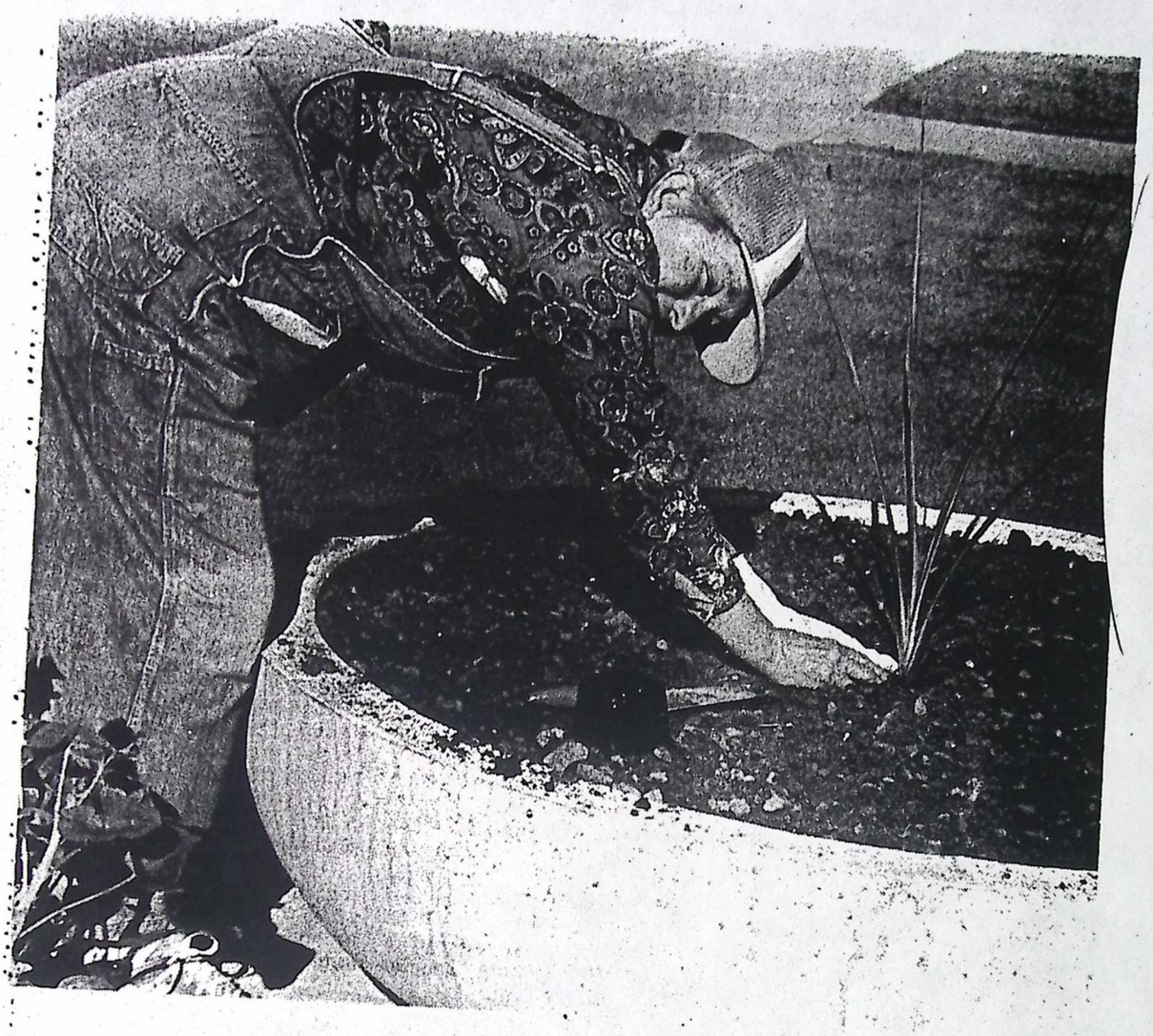
George Bonner Carmel Apple with any $5.00 purchase



Summer Blooms on Midway Town Square

The Midway Boosters Club with the help of the Midway Garden Club planted 15 large round planters around the town square June 1.

The project has been under the direction of Sherry and David Omans. They have had many volunteers, including Mayor Gene Probst. They were all out with spades and trowels on this sunny day.

The large containers were made originally for the Governor's Plaza in Salt Lake. When that project failed, the Boosters were able to obtain them at a much reduced price.

Large cement pads were poured at various places around the square and the containers put in place and filled with soil.

The flowers, a variety of summer plants, were purchased from Wilma Pope of Midway. When they all begin to grow and fill up the planters, the Midway Town Square will be one step closer to looking like a Swiss village.

Many thanks go to all who have helped on this beautification project. It is certainly one that will give pleasure to all that visit, as well as those who live in Midway.

The volunteers that helped on the Midway beautification project were: The Omans with help from Connie Tatton and her children, Fawn Kohler and her grandson, Alan Welch, Alice Jacobson, Vivian Probst, Maude Derry, Rose Hoyt, Joyce Craig, Darlene Shelton, Naiomi Larson, Louise Lence, Gene and Darlene Probst, Marge Anderson, Verna Probst, Mareline Provost and Wilma Pope. If anyone else has been missed here, apologies are in order and thank you.

Midway Town Hall is presently being renovated. Last Monday, Heber Power and Light assisted with work on the outside of the Town Hall. Plans call for a complete renovation plus the installation of a Swiss clock.

A Glockenspiel for Midway

by Jane Farnum

An incredible amount of work and talent are meshing together to achieve Midway's dream of becoming a Swiss village in the mountains of Utah.

The credit for all of this has to go to a very active Boosters Club. Everyone in the town is a member of the club; one that is comprised of very energetic people who are pulling the whole thing together.

The latest project in connection with the new clock on the Town Hall is a glockenspiel. The Boosters have commissioned Erla Young to design and produce the figures and costumes that will be used. Robie O'Driscoll built the figures on a lathe in his shop in Wallsburg.

The authentic costumes were researched and taken from signs of the Bern (Bear) area of Switzerland. This area of the country was chosen as Midway's sister city. Connie and Rick Tatton looked into the costume designs to make sure that they were as authentic as possible.

On the hour, every hour, the doors at the top of Town Hall will open and a platform will come out with the Swiss figures on it. The platform will revolve, as well as the platforms that the figures stand on. Swiss music will play for about three minutes and the figures will then retreat into the building until the next hour, when they will reappear. Floodlights will light it at night.

The mechanics of the glockenspiel have been worked out by Vard Roper and a group of 16 students at Utah Community College in Orem. They deserve a great deal of thanks for their talent and the time that they have put into designing the mechanics of this wonderful project.

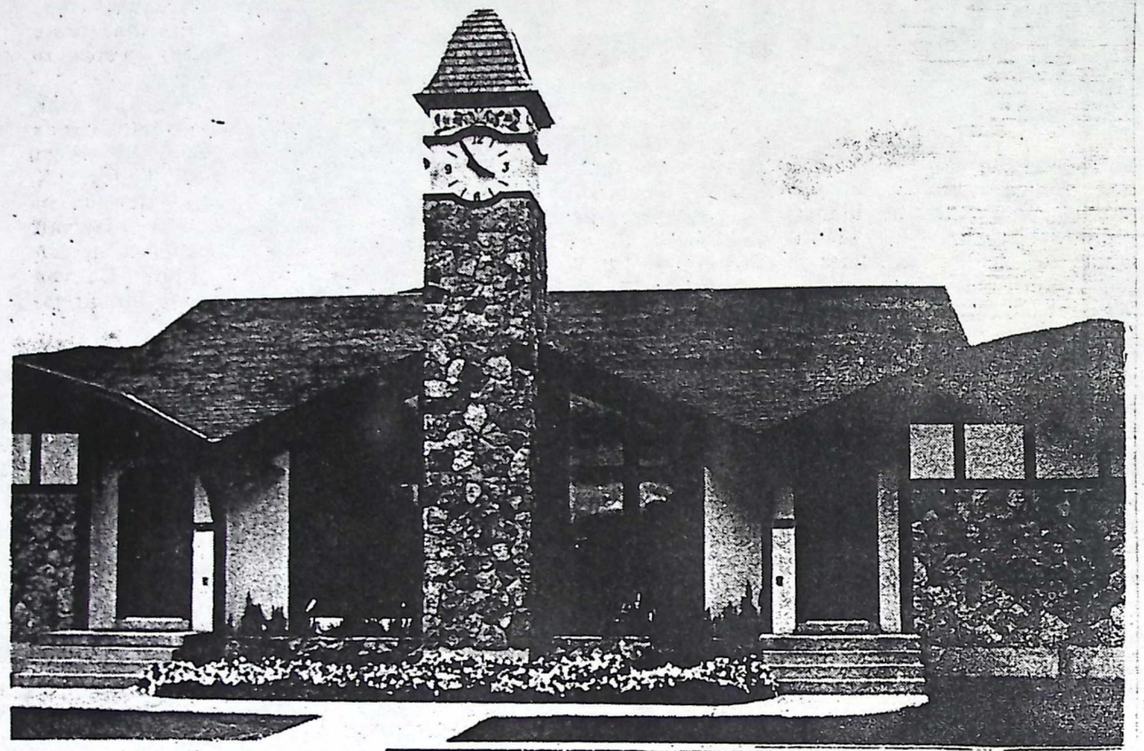
When Erla's Swiss people are completed and dressed, there will be a pair of dancers, a goat herd girl, a wood chopper, and a king with a bear. They will resemble everything Swiss in a nutcracker doll fashion. Midway is fortunate to have Erla's talent and artistic ability. She stresses though that this is a community project with many people working very hard. Otherwise, it would not be possible.

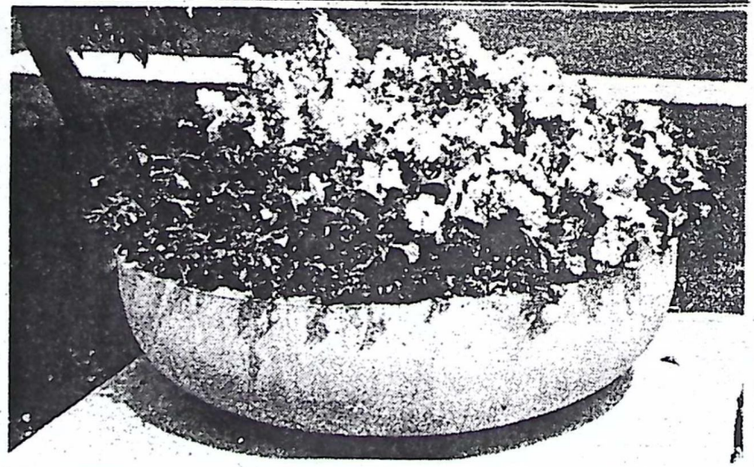
The glockenspiel will be a gift to the town by all the Boosters for years to come. It's beauty will delight old an young. When the glockenspiel plays, anyone in the area will think they have been transported to the Alps.

With Swiss Days just around the corner, much credit has to be given to the Boosters for all the hard work that has been done this year bringing Midway as close to a Swiss atmosphere as possible. It would be impossible to name everyone involved in all the projects, but there are many who have spent much of their time working around the Town Square and on the building. Marge Anderson has done some lovely paintings around the stage. She and Fran have spent many hours, with a lot of help, working in the building to make it attractive. They have also worked very hard to squeeze every available penny and put it to the best use.

Midway is proud of all these people for their dedication in making the town a pleasant place to live, as well as a wholesome area to visit.

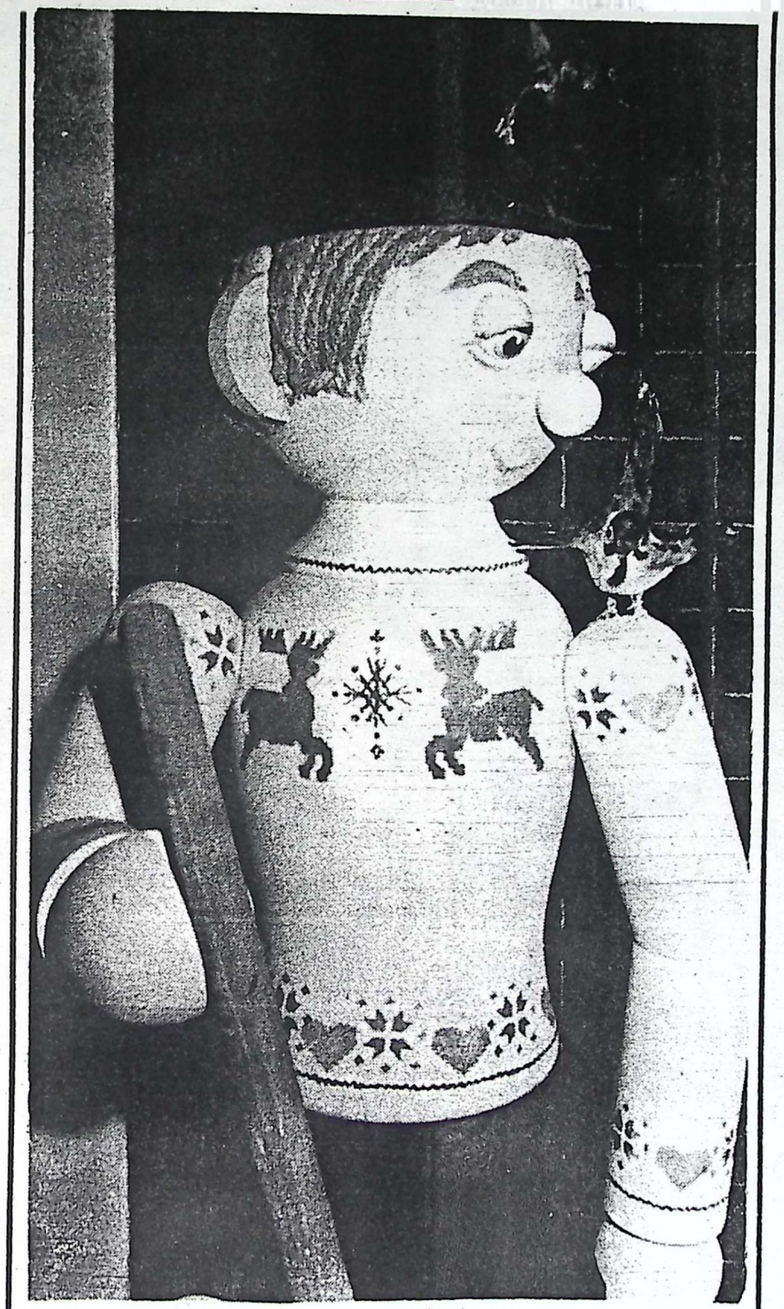
Midway artist, Erla Young, at work in her studio on Swiss figures to be used in the town's new glockenspeil. They will resemble everything Swiss.



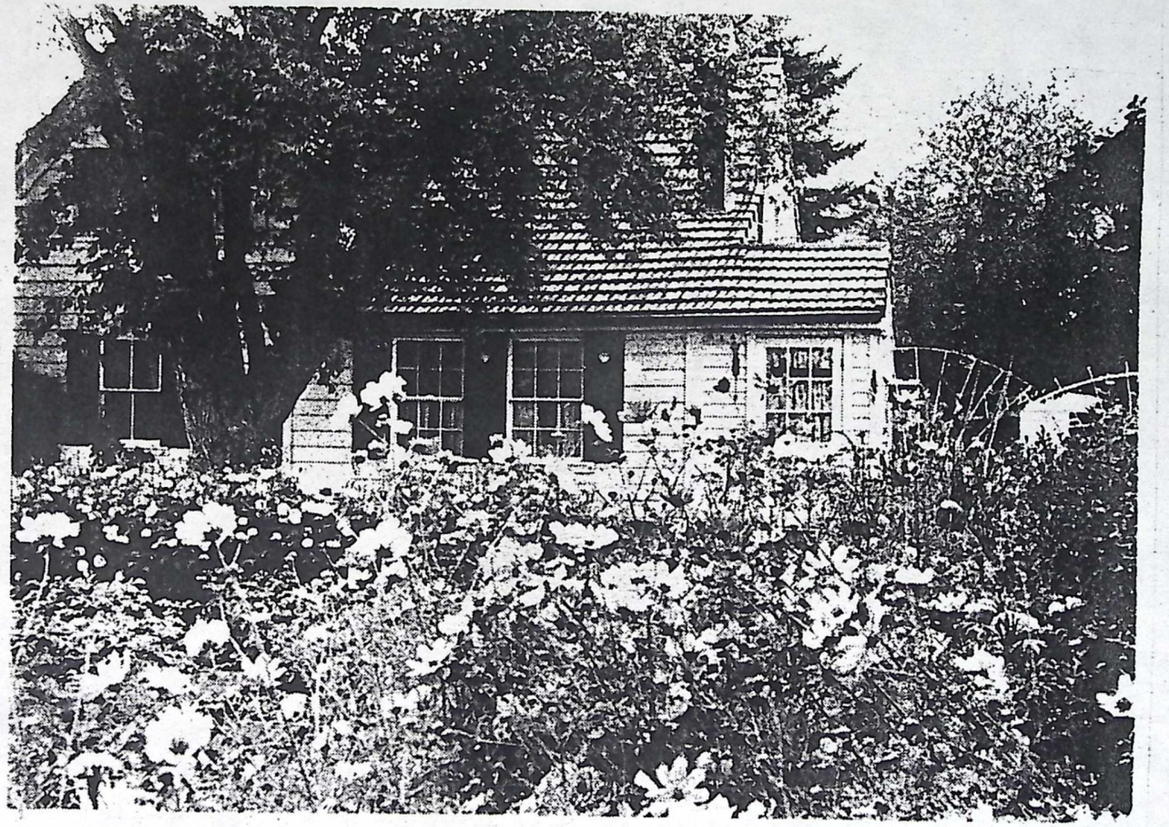


Midway Beautification Winners

Midway Town Square was selected as the first place winner in the Midway Boosters beautification program on August 18.



Midway's "glockenspiel" will be featured at Swiss Days this year. Five 16-inch figures will rotate on a 40-inch diameter turnable in the Bavarian-style, Midway City Town Hall.



The Ruby Boss home placed first in the Small Farm and Ranch Improvement category in the Midway Booster Club Beautification program. Ruby has been in the State Beautification program for 30 years. Her daughter, June, and her son, Rick Tatton, have won numerous plaques and awards for their flower and vegetable gardens and the farm atmosphere. Rick has been in the state program since he was 16 years old.

Glockenspiel Featured at Midway Swiss Days

The people of Midway have installed a glockenspiel in the Bavarian-style Midway City Town Hall, which was featured at this year's Swiss Days celebration.

Literally translated glockenspiel means "bell music," but Midway Mayor Gene Probst explained "glock" also means "clock" and "spiel" designates "all the rest of it."

The "rest of it" traditionally includes music and figures that dance or twirl when the clock strikes certain times. The Midway glockenspiel incorporates all the tradition of the glockenspiels found around Switerzerland.

Five 36-inch figures rotate on small platforms. They circle around on a 40-inch diameter turntable. The mechanism is electronically synchronized with a 48-inch clock above it with a computer program. It is operated by a 40-channel remote control garage door opener.

When the clock strikes the hour a pair of doors, four feet wide by 52 inches tall, open. The platform exits and turns while the figures twirl to Swiss music. After three minutes it retreats and the doors shut until the next hour.

Soft floodlights will light the glockenspiel at night. When the clock strikes the hour, the lights will go to full power, then dim when the performance is over.

Dollmaker Erla Young, who teaches art at Brigham Young University, designed the dolls by combining bits and pieces of lathed wood. A woodworker, Larry O'Driscoll, made most of them as samples of balusters, the ornate rails that hold up banisters. He had discarded them and Mrs. Young rummaged through the pile, rescuing arms, legs, torsos and heads for her little "people."

Under her direction, Jack Angus put them together without screws, using only glue and dowels to create the figures.

Mrs. Young painted and clothed them with Swiss costumes which are partly authentic and partly stylized. "We decided to go for the Pinnochio kind of approach — kind of whimsical — in keeping with the character of the materials," explained Fran Anderson, project chairman.

He said he took the idea to Vard A. Roper who heads the mechanical and welding department at Utah Valley Community College. Mr. Roper's first question was, "What is a glockenspiel?"

Mr. Anderson described what the machine needed to do and Mr. Roper and 16 students put it together, machining the parts that couldn't be purchased. They used a block and tackle connected to a car to lift the 500-pound machine into place.

In appreciation for their labor, Midway established a scholarship for a Midway student to attend the college for a year.

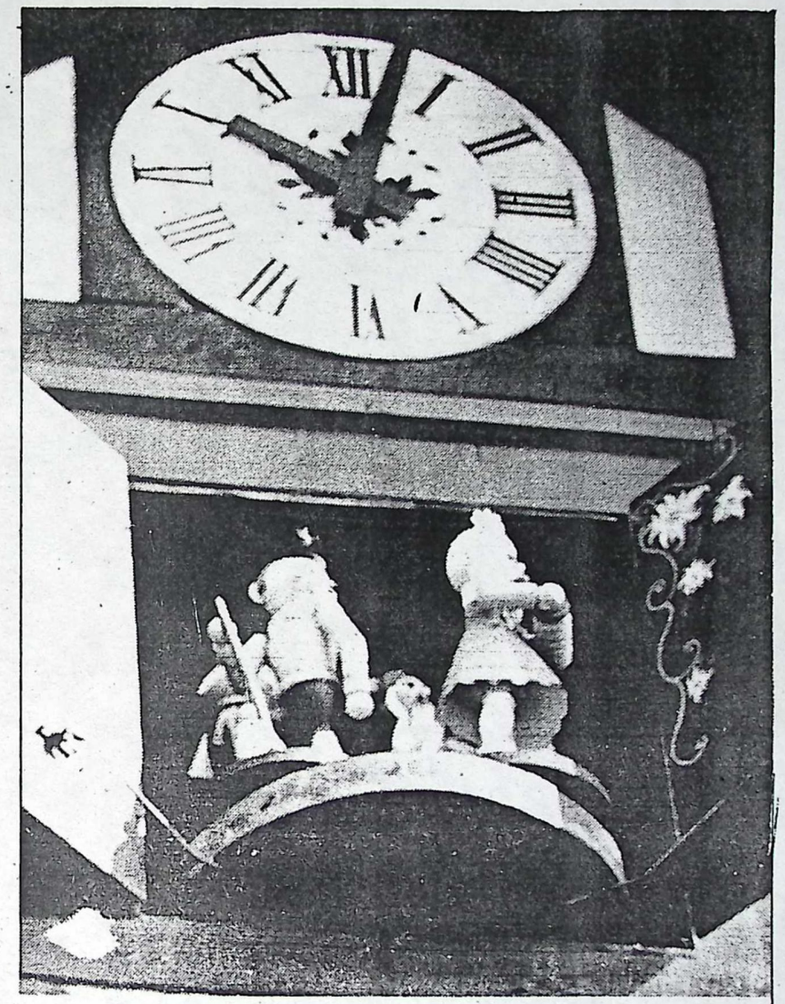
The electrical wiring was installed by Les Corbett.

The idea of building the glockenspiel emerged at a board meeting of the Midway Boosters, a group of volunteers organized to build up the town and particularly develop the Swiss theme of the town. They fund their projects with money from the annual Swiss Days festivities and private donations.

Mr. Anderson said they had paid about $5,500 for the glockenspiel's parts and materials. It has been valued at over $35,000, about what it would have cost if all the volunteer labor were figured in, he said.

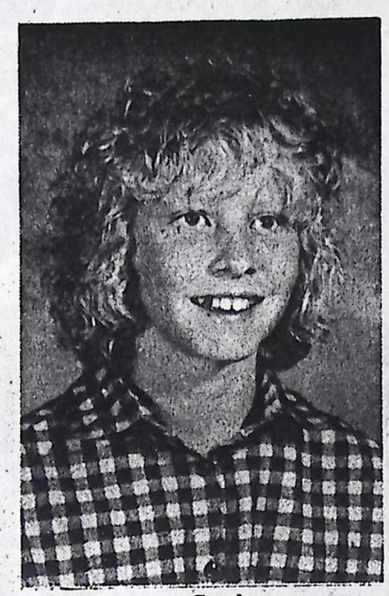
For now, the music is a variety of Swiss tunes and yodeling. But Mr. Anderson said he hopes to eventually install clarion bell music.

During the next two weeks, the glockenspiel will be programmed to perform every 15 minutes. After that it will operate from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., according to Mr. Anderson.



A large crowd gathered for the dedication of the glockenspiel at Midway Town Hall Sept. 2. Richard Nielson, Boosters Club president, opened the ceremony. There were short speeches by people involved citing the long hours of work and dedication that was put into this successful project.

Elizabeth Johnson



Sarah Springer

Kendra Evans

Shalise Morgan

Leslie Parks

Tonya Gale

Swiss Miss Contest

Raegan Jensen

Daphne Guymon

Coni Wilson

Kara Lee Robinson

Hazel Springer

Melissa Lloyd

Nancy Kelly

Emily Collings

Andrea Hansen

The 1987 Swiss Miss Janelle Kohler, First Attendant Annette Nichols, Second Attendant Heather Warnick, Third Attendant Tiffany Prince, and Fourth Attendant Kristen Probst will soon complete their year-long reign.

Saturday evening Midway chose their new 1988 Swiss Miss Melissa Lloyd, First Attendant Shalise Morgan, Second Attendant Sarah Springer, Third Attendant Elizabeth Johnson, and Fourth Attendant Kendra Evans.

Midway's Honored Citizen

Alberta Provost has been chosen as Midway's Honored Citizen during Swiss Days, Sept. 4-5.

Alberta May Sonderegger Provost was born June 30, 1912 in Midway to Fredrick Sonderegger and Marion Lindsay Burt. She was the second of six children. They lived at Mill Flat, then in Park Ctiy. They moved back to Midway when she was in the sixth grade. She was a good student especially in English. After graduation she worked tending children (including two sets of twins), cooking meals, and cleaning house.

Alberta married Clifford LeRoy Provost, June 19, 1935 in the Salt Lake Temple. The late Clifford Provost and Alberta Provost are parents of four children: Sara Nelson, Fred Provost, Carl Provost, and Aileen Walker. They have 18 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Alberta and Clifford lived on a farm all their married life except two years when they lived in California and a few months in Park City. They both worked long, hard hours.

Alberta has always been a visiting teacher and was also work director in the Relief Society. Her service in the Primary organization spans over 50 years during which time she has held every position, including the president. She has also been on the Primary Stake Board several times. She served a mission for the LDS Church at Fresno, California from October 1979 to April 1981 and has been a ward and stake missionary ever since.

For many years Alberta was a 4-H leader and she served on the Stringtown Water Works. She has served in the Midway Boosters Club from its beginning as Midway Harvest Festival and then Midway Swiss Days. She has manned the information booth and made dozens of bratzelics each year to sell. She has served as the historian of the Boosters Club for almost 40 years and also as a director of the club.

Alberta has always taught it is not a disgrace to do any kind of work; it's only a disgrace if you don't work. She is always considerate of every person. She doesn't think she is better than anyone. She always does what she can for everyone.

A tribute and a plaque will be presented to Alberta during the Swiss Days program, Saturday, Sept. 5. A special thanks is extended from the Midway Boosters to Broderick's Fine Jewelry for donating the plaque.

Alberta Provost

Midway Stake Bicentennial Ball Huge Success

Les, Renee Corbett

LaVonne, Ken Simmons

50th Anniversary

Alvin W. and Lucile Provost Kohler will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 4. Their family would like to invite all family and friends to celebrate with them at a reception on Friday, Oct. 2 from 5 to 8:30 p.m. at the Midway Third Ward, 160 West Main.

They were married in the Salt Lake Temple on Oct. 4, 1937. They have been lifelong residents of Midway except while serving missions in Nauvoo and St. George. They worked in the Provo Temple for several years and Alvin was in the Midway Second Ward Bishopric for 10 years.

They are the parents of three sons: Norman and Nan, Arlin and Arla, and Mark and Raelynne, who all reside in Midway. They have 22 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

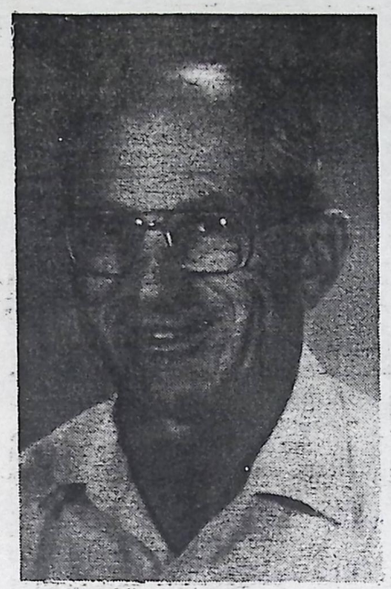
Meet Your Midway City Council Candidates

Jean Brown

Midway is an absolutely terrific place to live. When my family moved here six years ago to live permanently, many things attracted us to Midway. We loved the beautiful mountain surroundings and the opportunity for a lot of outdoor recreation which we enjoy. Having lived in big cities, we appreciated the small town atmosphere and the friendliness of the people. Midway seemed like the ideal place to raise children. Taking all of this into consideration, we moved here and have never regretted it. My appreciation for Midway only grows.

Grant W. Shelton

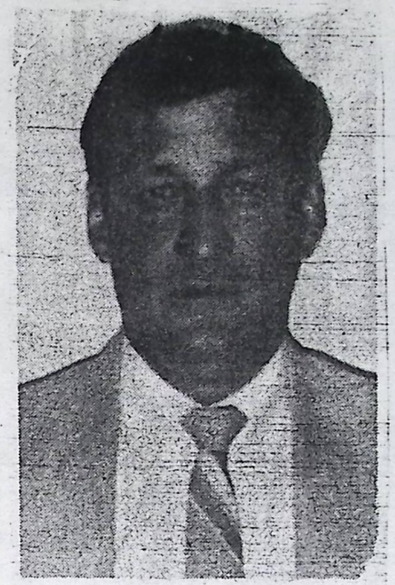
I feel that Midway is one of the finest small communities in the world. The citizens of Midway have great civic pride and interest. We work together to make this a special place to live.



Dennis Clegg
Incumbent
Midway City
Councilman

During my service as Midway City Councilman, we have made a number of major accomplishments. While in charge of water for our city, we were instrumental in building a storage tank to increase our water supply, and also installed water meters. Both projects have made it possible for citizens to use water at any time with adequate pressure and without the limitations of sprinkling turns.

I have been a resident of Heber Valley and Midway all of my life. I love this town and feel very strongly that we need councilmen who will work to preserve and protect our traditions and values, compatible with the growth that will surely come.



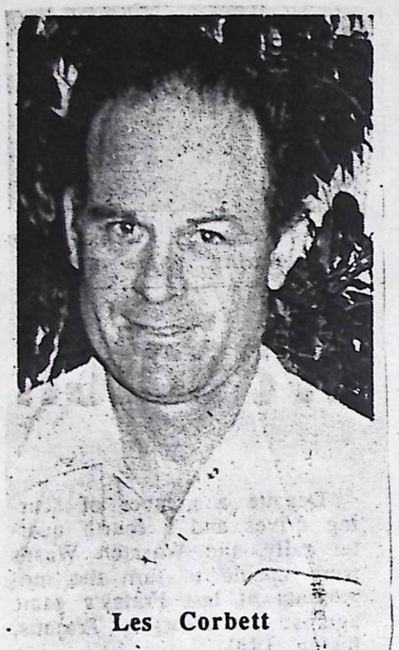
Alan M. Giles

I am a 22 year resident of Midway and an eight year incumbent on the Midway City Council. I am currently employed by the State Tax Commission with 18 years experience in the property tax area and substantial experience working with local governments.

I operate a real estate appraisal business, and I am well aware of the potential growth of the Midway area and the problems associated with same. I feel my experience on the Midway City Council, planning commission, and prior service on the local board of adjustments, gives me superior qualifications for conducting Midway City business.

Dorothy Van Wagoner

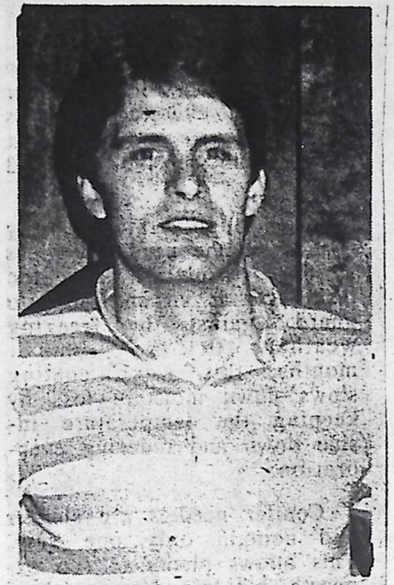
As a long-time resident of Midway and a member of the business community, I feel my input on the council would bring a woman's unique experiences into the decision making process. I am not a feminist and do not premise my candidacy on that issue. Only as an interested citizen, I bring my concern and those of all Midway residents into the determination of the future course of our community's development and direction. There is a need for more public information on the affairs before the city council, and a need for more public input into the decision making process.



Les Corbett

I am running for Midway City Council because I have always been interested in community affairs, and I feel that Midway is on the threshold of much growth and change.

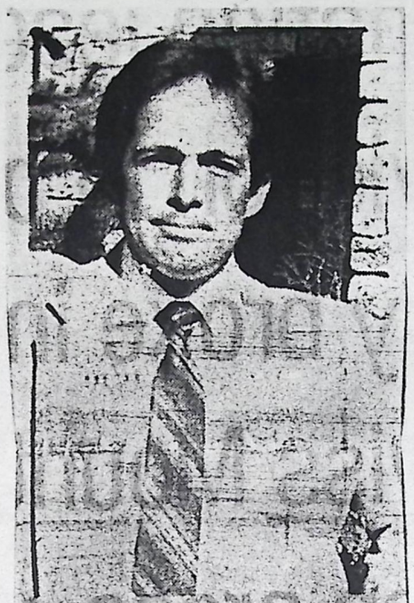
My wife and two children, Lourie, 18, and Jim, 11, have lived in Midway 11 years. I own and operate Les Corbett Electric.



Micheal L. Bronson

Micheal L. Bronson was born and raised in Midway. He feels it is the best place to raise his family. He is married to the former Terri Madsen. They have six children, Ryan, Shawn, Todd, Chad, Jennifer and Heath.

Micheal is employed as a carpenter by the Homestead Resort in Midway. He is also an insurance agent for Bear River Mutual. Mike is an active member of the LDS Church,



John Michael Fletcher

I was born Sept. 29, 1952 in Santa Monica, CA, and am the father of nine natural children, and four by marriage. I have been a firefighter for 15 years in Los Angeles County and am now retired due to a neck injury. I am now self-employed with a fire protection agency "Rocky Mountain Fire Protection." I have lived in Utah a total of six years and have been a member of this community for two years.

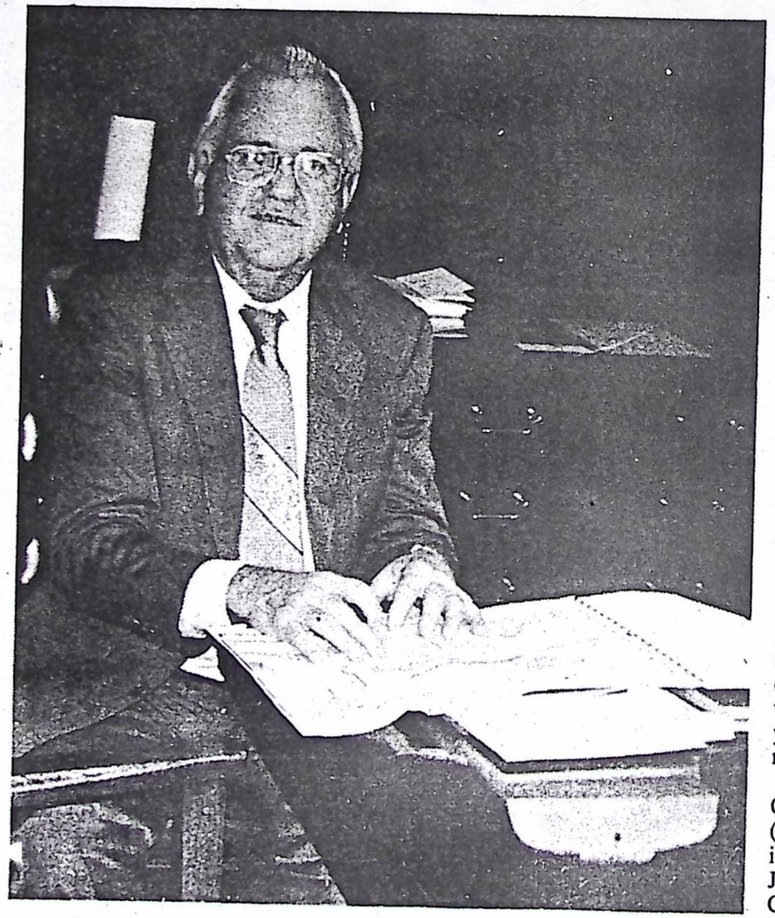
Richard Nielson

Experience and qualifications include: B.S. degree in business management; present chairman of Midway City Planning Commission; current President of Midway Boosters; member of Governing Board of Wasatch County Hospital; thirty-five years experience serving the public in retailing; strong sense of community pride.

After 42 years in the fish hatchery business, Max North retired last week. His accomplishments include the invention of a fish feeder which he holds the patent to.

Meet Your County Commissioner: Pete Coleman

To Wasatch County Commissioner Pete Coleman being a county commissioner is an important responsibility especially now, with important issues like the pressing need for Route "A" and the possibility of a railroad running through the county.



However, in the midst of a serious, sometimes long, perhaps tense county commission meeting, he may insert a little comic relief. His one- or two-liners are seldom expected because of his timing and because he starts them with the same expression and tone of voice as when he offers serious input. Then he immediately returns to business, almost before the laughter can die down.

Commissioner Coleman has been defending the county's stand on Route "A" for eight years and admits he's getting tired of it. However, he hasn't backed down and continues to carry his part of the load as the commission takes on state and federal agencies and enlists influential allies. He is determined not to even compromise on the immediate and high quality construction of the road because he considers it vital to the future economic life of his constituents.

In addition, he explained that the highway must be constructed to "meet safety standards for a federal aid highway... In case, in a few years, you have to resurface, there is money available."

He is chairman of the Tri-County Railroad Commission (TRC) and said that connecting Heber Valley with "Echo Junction, Coalville, and Park City to the north, and Sundance and Provo Canyon to the south, with the railroad, would be one of the big economic boosts to our area."

Although he agrees with the focus on the tourism potential of the proposed railroad, Commissioner Coleman, who serves as chairman of the TRC, pointed out that it can also provide economical shipping for local business people. He said he used to ship appliances to his store by rail and shipping costs increased significantly when the trains stopped running through Heber.

The railroad and highway projects come under his jurisdiction as the commissioner in charge of public works. That assignment also includes local roads, parks and recreation, courthouse and library buildings and grounds, and the weeding program.

Under his direction, the public works department has been consolidated, reducing the number of employees by almost 25 percent. He has also set up a schedule for periodic road maintenance to improve existing roads with periodic sealing and chipping, and construct new asphalt roads. During the past year new roads have been built in Bench Creek, and Center Creek is scheduled for road improvements next year.

"Our eventual plan is to hard-surface most of the valley roads and we're working toward that."

In addition, he represents the county as the federal coordinator for projects on the Mountainlands Association of Governments Executive Committee.

When asked to comment about his impression of the community, he said, "What I like about our environment is, we may fight among ourselves, but if someone comes in with a project that's detrimental to us, nobody supports the commissioners more than Heber Valley does.

"I think the community wants to keep a rural atmosphere. And I'm not opposed to that. But to have a rural atmosphere you've got to have a business district that can support the atmosphere, instead of having to travel to Salt Lake or Provo for everything. Without community support, our Main Street — our business district — dies.

"I feel that the more economic help we have on any project enhances our business district and also the rural atmosphere so our people are able to remain here."

Commissioner Coleman was born in Wasatch County, attended county schools and commuted to BYU in Provo. He has lived here all his life except two years in the army after he graduated from high school.

"There was a law that everyone had to [illegible]

cerned about things I felt should be different. My philosophy is, if you're going to complain you'd better get involved," he explained.

He was appointed as a commissioner in June 1978 to complete the term of a commissioner who died. He then ran for the office and was elected the following November and was re-elected in 1982 and 1986.

"In the last four or five years, the problems have magnified," he commented. "I think that's the main reason I've wanted to be a commissioner.

"The thing I like about the job is the associations and the people I have met through the commission work. That includes engineers, politicians and legislators. You meet good people and interesting people. I knew Senator Jake Garn — he used to live in Midway — and, being in democratic politics, I knew Governors [Scott] Matheson and [Calvin] Rampton. But I would have never been able to meet like we do with people like Governor Norm Bangerter, Wayne Owens and Howard Nielson. We're on a first name basis and it's fun!

"It is a challenge, but I think we keep up with our work. And we're rewarded."

Although Commissioner Coleman spends a lot of time in meetings, he said he is used to much longer hours. When he ran the family busi-

INTERESTING EVENTS IN THE HISTORY OF MIDWAY RELATED
BY HENRY VAN WAGONER, A PIONEER OF MIDWAY, TO
DOROTHY HOLMES ON FEB. 22, 1933.

In about the year 1860 the first settlers came to this valley. John H. Van Wagoner came from Provo and settled in the Lower Settlement in the 1860's. He came from New Jersey and settled in Provo in 1852. He built the first Grist Mill in this valley in 1861 in the Lower Settlement. It stood where Fred Price's house now stands on Snake Creek. It was called the Wood's Farm then. At this time the following families were living in the Lower Settlement: David Wood, Oscar Wood, Bill Wood, Jesse McCarrell, Joseph McCarrell, David Van Wagonen, James and David Provost, Joseph Murdock, Mark Smith, Sidney H. Epperson, Jeremiah Robey, John Watkins, George Wardle (came to Salt Lake in 1847 with the first pioneers), Herbert Orsler, Fred and Stephen Bee, Andrew Hamilton, Isaac Bowman, Attewall Wootton, Simon Hickinbottom, Thomas Perry, the Bronsons, and perhaps others.

The Upper Settlement was located at the mouth of Snake Creek Canyon. The early settlers came there about the same time (1860). The first sawmill in this valley was built by Peter Shirts on Snake Creek at the mouth of the canyon. It contained an old up and down saw. It was later purchased and operated by Henry Coleman, Sr. John H. Van Wagoner worked in it for some time.

The first families of the Upper Settlement were: George Bonner, Peter Shirts, David Van Wagonen, who built a shingle mill at the mouth of the canyon and operated it for some time. It was located about where the power plant now stands. John Huber and David Provost ran the shingle mill. John Huber took up land there and after the move to Midway his family moved back up and have lived there ever since. In about the year 1865 a company of United States soldiers camped in what is now known as Soldier Hollow. It was named because of the camp.

In 1866 the people received instructions from Pres. Brigham Young to move together into larger settlements for protection against the Indians. The two settlements moved to what is now our public square and built a fort. The houses were built one right next to the other all around the square. The space in the center was used for the cattle at night. The cattle were kept in one big herd and were driven to the mountains to feed in the daytime by men and boys who guarded them. They were brought back at night and guarded within the square. The people in Midway were not bothered very much by Indians. They lost a few horses, but they had no trouble to speak of.

In 1868 the crickets came and completely destroyed all of the crops. There was no harvest that year and the people had a very hard time to get food. The next year the crickets came again and the seagulls came and devoured them. The seagulls would fill up on crickets, then go and drink water and vomit the crickets into the stream and then return to the fields for more. They kept this up for days until the crickets were done away with. The Indians caught the crickets and mashed their heads, dried them and made soup out of them. Simon Schneitter, during the grasshopper time when there was very little harvest, went up Snake Creek and cut the mountain grass with a scythe and hauled it down on a two-wheeled cart with a drag rack to feed to his cattle during the winter.

Between 1880 and 1885 John Watkins built a sawmill on what is now called the Mill Flat at the Snake Creek Tunnel. This furnished employment for many young men. Some of the loggers were: Orson Lance, James W. Provost, William Van Wagoner, Henry Van Wagoner, David W. Provost, Milo Lance, Henry Watkins, Edward Watkins, Casper Sulser, Charles I. Bronson, William Bonner, George Bunnell, James Gur, Adam Empey, John Sulser, Everus Bronson, Peter Alplanalp, Christian Burgener. This logging was all done with ox teams.

The pioneers had to clear the land and kill the snakes. The Snake Den, up by Zwielfels' place, was literally lined with rattlesnakes. The men would take a little pole with a hook in the end and pull the snake out by the head, then kill it and cut a slit down its back and take the oil out. The oil was very valuable. It was put in small bottles and used as a rubbing oil to cure earache, croup, stiff joints, etc.

The houses were all built of logs until after the sawmill was built, then they started making frame houses. The furniture was all slab furniture except what some of the pioneers brought with them from the East. Mr. and Mrs. John H. Van Wagoner brought a set of chairs with them from New Jersey.

The pioneers heated their homes and cooked with a sagebrush fire in a fireplace. In front of the fireplace was a bake oven which was used for baking bread, etc. The other cooking was done over the open fireplace in kettles and griddles hung over the open fire.

Some of the homes had wooden floors and others had just dirt floors. Most of them had dirt roofs. Sometimes the rain would leak through until they had to put pans on the beds to catch the mud and water. The beds were built in the wall with three logs

across the room. Some of the members of the family would sleep on the top and another bed was made underneath for others. Most of the beds were equipped with straw ticks. The homes contained just one room to house big families.

Food was very scarce at times. Potatoes and bread made up the principal diet. They would sometimes gather garlic and make garlic soup. Game was plentiful but weapons were scarce. There were lots of fish and the boys caught them with a string and a pin hook. They could sometimes kill wild chickens with rocks.

Some people had to tell time by the sun because they had no clocks. They didn't have matches. They had to make their fires with a flint rock. Their homes were all lighted with candles or a light made by putting a rag in a pan of grease and lighting it. Some of the children had to go to school barefooted.

The first school house in Midway was a log building which stood just west of the spot now occupied by the Second Ward LDS Chapel. School was held there for two or three years with Simon Hickenbottom as teacher. The seats were made of slabs with peg legs. The children when they became thirsty had to go outside and lie down by the ditch to drink. The books they used were the Wilson Readers. They wrote on slates. The next school was the Post Office building. The school was used for dances, meetings, and all public gatherings. Attewall Wootton, Sr., was the teacher. Mrs. Sarah Woods, C. I. Bronson's aunt, taught summer school in what is now the grainery on the place of William Van Wagoner, Sr.

Sidney H. Epperson was the first bishop of the Midway Ward. Alvah Alexander was the next, David Van Wagoner the next, John Watkins the next, and Jacob Probst next after the wards divided. (Jacob Probst is still bishop of the second ward).

The first store in Midway was built by David Van Wagoner. It stood just west of where Guy Coleman's house now stands. It was a little frame building. Before this time all of the provisions were hauled by ox teams and a few horse teams from Heber, Provo, and Salt Lake. The first blacksmith shop was owned and operated by John Davis. It was located in the public square just west of where the Second Ward Chapel now stands.

The German Hall was built about 1875. It was built for a dance hall and music house by a company of men consisting of Andrew Burgener, Christian Burgener, Peter Alplanalp, and others. Andrew Burgener was one of the best musicians in the state at that time. The first band organized here was a marshall band. The members of this band were: Mark Smith, Jesse McCarrell, Sr., Jesse McCarrell, Jr., Joseph Jacobs, and David Provost. The next band was the German Band organized by Andrew Burgener.

In about 1888 David Van Wagoner built the Van Wagoner Hall which stood between the places now occupied by the homes of David Van Wagoner, Jr. and Clark Bronson. It was built and used for an amusement hall for many years.

The many canyons in our mountains were named by our pioneers. Pole Canyon up above the cemetery was so named because of the poles that were taken out of there by the pioneers. Just north of that is Sid's Canyon, named after Sidney H. Epperson, the first man to haul wood out of there. Indian Spring west of the cemetery was so named because an Indian died and was buried there many years ago. Lime Canyon was so named because the first lime was burned there by Allen Martin. Lime Canyon is just west of Schneitter's Resort. Snake Creek was so named because of the great many snakes. The Twist, called Jacob's Twist, was so named because Mr. Jacob was the first to haul wood from there.

Dr. Gerber had a ranch in the Upper Settlement. He was the first doctor to settle in this valley. He came in about 1862 from Switzerland. Pine Canyon and Mahogany Ridge are so named because of the kind of wood growing there.

The pioneers had their own forms of amusement. They held public dances in which they enjoyed dancing the quadrilles and other round dances which we call old time dances. They also went to lectures delivered twice a week by a Professor Clegg, an English Phrenologist who settled in Heber. The twenty-fourth of July was always celebrated with a parade of the Marshall Band around the public square.

Some other school teachers that were not mentioned above were: Mr. Forbes from American Fork, Mr. Nugent from up the river, and Mr. Felps, a Civil War veteran who had been wounded five times.

These items are very interesting and were taken from the mouth of a real pioneer. Mr. Van Wagoner told these from his actual experience. He was born May 22, 1861, and died July 27, 1933, after living in Midway for 70 years.

Who's Who of Women 1982

By Fawn Kohler

Leathe Tatge

Lethe Tatge has received another honor, one of the really high honors of the world.

The World Who's Who of Women 1982, printed by International Biographical Centre, Cambridge, CB230:. England. The book tells Lethe's story which she received in time for her 89th birthday, Tues. Dec 28, 1982.

Tatge, Lethe Belle Coleman, born Dec. 28, 1893, Midway, Utah, U.S.A. Teacher; Actress; Public Speaker; Lecturer; Educated at the University of Utah; Brigham Young University. Married Francis C. Tatge, 1935. Appointments include Teacher, Midway Grade School, Wasatch High School. Lecturer; Chautauqua and Tours.

Appeared in 17 movies. Publications she assisted in writing and publishing are Under Wasatch Skies, How Beautiful Upon the Mountains.

Memberships include: Theta Alpha Phi, National Thespian Society, International platform Association, Daughters of Utah Pioneers, Daughters of American Revolution, State Historical Society, Wasatch County Chamber of Commerce, Wasatch Co. Senior Citizens Council. Honors include: Various awards for Community Service.

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It doesn't say anything about the hundreds of all ages who revere her as "Aunt Lethe" who go to her for advice, council, mothering and love. Nor did they say anything about the lady who has taught the same Sunday School Class "Gospel Message to teen agers for 32 years." That is longer than anyone else in the L.D.S. Church. She also, during that time sang with the Ward Choir which she still does. She and Stella Luke have been Relief Society Visiting Teachers together for 15 years with 100 percent.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO A GREAT LADY!!!

Lethe Belle Coleman Tatge

Lethe Tatge Passes Away

MIDWAY—Lethe Belle Coleman Tatge, 92, died at her home in Midway on Feb. 1, 1986. She was well known as a lecturer, traveler, and movie personality appearing in 14 BYU productions. Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Midway Fourth Ward Chapel. Burial was in the Midway Cemetery.

Lethe Belle Coleman Tatge 1893-1986

MIDWAY, Wasatch County, Lethe Belle Coleman Tatge, 92, died Feb. 1, 1986 at her home in Midway. Born Dec. 28, 1893 in Midway to Henry T. and Emily Springer Coleman. Married Francis Conrad Tatge October 19, 1935 in Midway. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple. He died March 17, 1954.

She was a renowned world traveler and lecturer. She co-authored "How Beautiful Upon The Mountains", is listed in "American Women The Official, Who's Who Among The Women of the Nation", also listed in "Personalities of the West and Midwest". She appeared in 14 BYU, LDS Church movies including "The Mailbox". An active member of the LDS Church she has served in all of the auxillary organizations.

Survived by 3 sisters: Mrs. Rhea C. Guild, Laconia, New Hampshire; Mrs. Ruth C. Phillips, Salt Lake City; and Mrs. Chloe C. Madsen, Provo; also many devoted nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Midway Fourth Ward Chapel. Burial Midway Cemetery.

Break In Foiled at Tatge Home

Law enforcement units in Wasatch County, Heber City and Midway responded to an attempted break in Tuesday evening at the Lethe Tatge residence in Midway.

According to Midway Police Officer Edd Thacker, the attempt occurred during the viewing for Mrs. Tatge. Someone in the home heard the intruder at the door and shouted that the house was occupied. At that point the intruder fled and the police were notified. They have been unable to locate any suspects in the attempted break-in. The case is still under investigation.

FUNERAL SERVICES

In Memory of

LETHE BELLE COLEMAN TATGE

Wednesday, February 5, 1986
1:00 P.M.
Midway Fourth Ward Chapel
Midway, Utah

Born December 28, 1893 in Midway, Utah
Died February 1, 1986 in Midway, Utah

PALL BEARERS
Nephews

Pete Coleman
Dale Madsen
Stephen Madsen
Peter Madsen
David Madsen
Richard Jones

Flowers being cared for by the Midway Fourth Ward Relief Society.

SERVICES

Prelude and Postlude Music ..... Barbara Johnson

Officiating ..... Bishop Jerry Probst

Family Prayer ..... Franklin Coleman, Nephew

Opening Prayer ..... Burton Van Wagoner

Musical Selection ..... Robert Mathis, Clare Mahoney
Lynn Stephens and Larry Bonner
"I Need Thee Every Hour"
Accompanied by Barbara Johnson

Bishop's Remarks ..... Bishop Jerry Probst

Tribute ..... Darlene Shelton

Organ Medley ..... Florence Britsch

Speaker ..... Lowell Johnson

Musical Selection ..... Karen Springer, Cousin
"When It's Springtime In The Rockies"
Accompanied by Barbara Johnson

Remarks ..... Darrell Stoddard

Tribute ..... Rhea C. Guild, Sister

Musical Selection ..... Alvah Kohler
"Abide With Me"
Accompanied by Barbara Johnson

Closing Prayer ..... Nathan Johnson Coleman, Nephew

Interment ..... Midway Cemetery

Dedication of Grave ..... Lowell G. Coleman, Nephew

Midway News

Lethe Bell Coleman Tatge, 92, died Feb. 1, 1986 at her home in Midway. Ninety-two years, one month and three days, she lived to the utmost of excitement and enthusiasm. Even Saturday morning she got up and dressed, went out after her newspaper. Her neice Joyce Craig, was with her. She sat down to rest. Joyce thinking she was sleeping went on with the work. She checked her pulse only a few minutes later. Lethe was gone.

Lethe was an aunt, friend, companion, always available to anyone and everyone. She taught the young men and young ladies of her ward for 32 years. She was honored as teaching the same aged group for the longest period of time in the entire LDS Church.

Lethe encouraged everyone with whom she spoke persuading young to go on to college. If one couldn't go to college she encouraged them to go to a large company, tell them, "You would like to start at the bottom but you want to work your way up as fast as possible."

At our last visit just a week before, "I'm 92 you know and I have finished the work and I only have 3 sisters left and they are so far away. I think it is time for I don't want to go to a home or the hospital, but, remember our picnic out under the big trees as soon as it gets warm in the Spring.

Her interesting experiences with the Chautauqua was one of the highlights of her life. Her first appearance away from home was in Calgary, Alberta, Canada which began a world tour.

She said "I've been all around the world, I could live anywhere I chose, but right here is the most beautiful spot and I love it most of anywhere in the world."

We are all so grateful to her neice Joyce Craig for making Lethe's last months on earth more endurable.

At our last meeting she seemed to be a bit worried about the distance of her next door neighbor and was so happy that Joyce was always close by. She also was thankful for the help of Alice Cutsinger and the help Alta Meeks and Gig Davis had given her.

She always expressed the love of the many friends who called to see her and they could not leave without saying "Don't forget to write your name in my book." She always expressed her love for her parents and her brothers and sisters.

Our last words, "I love you."

August 14, 1986

Midway Homes on National Register

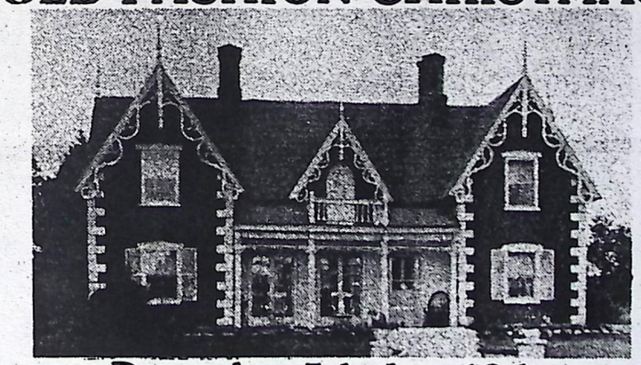
The Utah State Historical Society announces the recent lisiting of eight historic Utah properties in the National Register of Historic Places. Those properties include the Ecker Hill Ski Jump in Summit County, the Magna Community Baptist Church, the Provo Canyon Guard Quarters, and five architecturally significant houses in Midway that were constructed by John Watkins, a prominent nineteenth century builder.

The elaborate Gothic Revival style houses built in Midway by John Watkins are among the best examples of that style in Utah and are evidence of Watkins's remarkable design and construction skills. These "gingerbread" style houses, though often associated with Midway's Swiss heritage, are actually of English origin. John Watkins, trained as a builder in his native England, emigrated to Utah in 1856, bringing with him a thorough knowledge of the construction techniques and architectural styles popular in England at that time, including the Gothic Revival style. In Utah, Watkins demonstrated his considerable architectural knowledge and skills by combining variations of the cross-wing house form with Gothic Revival stylistic elements to create houses which, though similar to each other, are each unique. The houses designed and built by Watkins in Midway include his own house at 5 East Main (the Watkins-Coleman house, previously listed in the National Register), the George Bonner, Sr., house at 103 East Main, the George Bonner, Jr., house at 90 East Main, the William Bonner house at 110 East Main, and the William Coleman house at 188 North Center.

Watkins's first house in Midway, though not built in the Gothic Revival style, was also listed in the National Register. Located at 22 West 100 South, that house was one of the first to be constructed in the community as settlers moved out of Fort Midway in 1867 at the close of the Black Hawk Indian War. That house is also important as an example of polygamous architecture in Utah. Its three-room arrangement demonstrates Watkins's solution to the problem of providing equal accommodations for his three polygamous wives.

Listing of these properties in the National Register is intended not only to recognize and publicize their historical importance, but also to encourage their preservation. Though there are no federal or state regulations limiting what owners may do with their National Register buildings, the mere act of making known their historical significance often results in an increased concern for their preservation.

OLD FASHION CHRISTMAS



December 5th thru 12th

FEATURING:

- The Culinary Arts of a Victorian Christmas
- Preview of the Watkins/Coleman Museum
  (Former home of Lethe Coleman Tatge's, Midway)
- Antique and Local Home Stitched Crafts for Christams will be on display for sale.

Admission: $1.00

Emily Coleman papers follow:
copied March 1987

A bit of early history of Midway given by Matilda Springer to her daughter Emily M. Coleman.
The parents of Matilda Roby Springer Jeremiah & Ruth Tucker Roby came to Provo Valley from Provo in Aug. of 1859 and settled on the West side of the Valley near the Mountain. by a spring known later as the Epperson spring which was on the land owned by Sidney Epperson. son-in-law of the Roby's he having married their eldest daw. Mary Jane. the homes were built close together. the Epperson's had 3 small children. Theophilus, Alonzo and Mary. beside Matilda the baby of the family was an older son. Jeremiah, called Jed for short. they lived in the section of "the Lower Settlement" where a number of people had taken up land. a number had located a mile or so north and called it the Upper Settlement. later this was given the name of Mound City.

during the summers of 66 + 67 there was considerable Indian trouble and the people were advised to move in from their farms + make a fort for protection. this they did. each Settlement coming halfway. they called it Midway. a name which it has since retained they selected a site around what is still our Public square to build the Fort. all houses facing in toward the square. in which the cattle + horses were kept at night to be safe from the raiding Indians. these were taken out and herded by boys during the day. feed being plentiful in the near by surroundings. the families moving in to the Fort were located as follows. from the southwest corner to the north west corner. [1]Sidney Epperson. [2]Jeremiah Robey. [3]Jud Robey. [4]Simon Higganbotham. [5]Edwin Bronson. [6]Samuel Thompson. [7]Ira Jacobs. [8]Joseph Jacobs. [9]Washington Clift. [10]Moroni Blood. [11]John Huber. [12]John Wintch, [13]Geo. Dabling. [14]John Gerber Sr. [15]John Gerber Jr. [16]Lucian Jacobs, [17]Robert Cunningham, [18]Wm Meeks.

19 Ezekial Bates, 20 John Morton Sr. Wm Beeler
From the Northwest corner to the North east
Corner, - were 1 John Faucett Sr. 2 Jacob Burgener Sr
3. ~~Christian Scheerny~~. 4 John Buhler. 5 Jacob Buhler
6. Ulrich Abbegglen. 7. Conrad Abbegglen. 8 Dick
Sherlock. (who had a store) 9 Peter Aplanalp. 10 Simon
Schneitter. 11 Kaspar Sulser. 12 Christian Abbegglen
13 Gottlieb Abbegglen. 14 John Ertzinger. 15 Peter ~~John~~ Galli Sr.
16. Wm Coleman. 17 Libbie Van Wagoner. 2nd wife
of John Van Wagoner Sr) From the Northeast to
the South East corner. 1 John Moser 2 John Davis
3 Charles Love. 4 John Holfeltz. 5 Geo. Bonner Sr.
6 Geo. Wilson Sr. 7 William Wilson Sr. 8 Mrs ~~Henry Coleman~~,
9 John Lowe 10 Jesse McCarrell. 11 Joseph McCarrell Am. Fork
12. David Zufelt. 13 James Gurr. 14 John Condor.
15 Harvey Meeks. 16 Charles Gurney. 17 Abigal Shelton
18 John O'Niel. 19 James Jackson. 20 Geo. Wardle.
From the South east corner to the S. west corner.
1 Attewall Wootton. 2 Mark Smith 3 David Wood
4 Herbert Horsley. 5 Wm Bagley 6 Moroni McAlney
7 David Hamilton. 8 Andrew Hamilton. 9 James Provost
10 John Van Wagoner Sr & wife Clara. 11 Ephriam Van Wagoner
12 David Van Wagoner. 13 John Watkins. 14 Joseph
Forbes. 15 Joseph Allen. Henry Coleman Sr.

John Watkins was the Bugler, calling in time of danger
& also when it was time to arise & to take the cattle to
herd

after the Indian trouble. the fort over which Sidney Epperson presided was broken up. and homes were made elsewhere. altho some built their homes near the place they occupied in the Fort. many moved out of the Valley and their names only Traditional,

Streams near Midway. were Provo River Snake Creek. Spring Creek. and Pine Creek.

Mills

Saw Mills, John Van Wagoner Sr. Eph. Hawks Henry Coleman Sr. David Van Wagoner and John Watkins Sr. Moroni Blood. Henry Alexander grist mills. the first was built and opperated by John Van Wagoner at the Lower Settlement. later another was built. and was owned & opperated in turn by Geo. Bonner. James Ross. Mark Jeffs. & Mr Saxey. among the opperating millers were Hyrum ~~[illegible]~~ or Dennis, Brigham Mulliner. later a mill was built. owned & opperated by Nels J. Johnson which is still in opperation, 1939. Near by canyons were named Soldier Hollow Sid's canyon, Bonner Hollow. Pine Canyon Snake Creek Canyon. Lime Canyon. other places were Devil's Hole. Mohogney Ridge

Snake Den. + Jesse's Mound, now called Memorial Hill, Fox Den. etc.

The first milliner was Mary Jane McCarrell, who was also a dress maker. later dress makers were Jane E. Watkins Ellenor Blood Watkins. and Maggie J. Wilson,

The first stores were. Dick Sherlock. in the north end of the Ft. Spring. Geo. Snyder. where the home of Matilda Springer now stands David Van Wagoner. about where Guy Coleman's home now stands. later stores were the Old Co'op. later run by David Van Wagoner + sons. Bonner's Store. J. E. Probst Store at their home. Wm Watkins Store. Gottfried Buhler
1 John + Billie Van Wagoner Store. Kohler Market David Murdock Store, J. B. Wilson. at home, Post Office. + Masters. David Van Wagoner in the old Co'op store. Wm Watkins at his store. Cora Bigler + Naomi Burgoon where the present P. O. is now located.

Confectionary's. Wm Watkins. Thomas Hair Henry Coleman + Guy Coleman "

Drug Store Henry Coleman - Guy Coleman

Our early choir leaders were Geo. Dabling Geo. Wardle and John Huber. later ones Simon Eppersen Clarence Probst Karl Probst.

Our early day leading singers were Maggie Cunningham Betty Ross Julia Van Wagoner. Caroline Wardle. Jane McCarrell Mary Ann Watkins Emily Wilson.

Fiddlers | men. John Huber. David Ludlow. Tom Hair. Jim O'Niel. Jacob & Ulrich Probst Geo Dabling. Geo. Wardle

Moroni Blood. Jed Robey. Geo. Wardle Ed. Wardle. and David Van Wagoner.

Our first brass band organized by Andreas Burgener. A. Burgener. Christian Burgener. John Burgener. Peter Aplanalp. Jr. Conrad Abbegglen Sen. Conrad Abbegglen Jr. Jabez Schnietter.

Jake

The first Swiss people to arrive in Midway were Dr. John Gerber & family John & Jacob Buhler. Peter Aplanalp. Christian. Conrad & Ulrich Abbeglen. John Huber. Mrs Naglie. Simon Schneitter. & families —

The first presiding Elder was Sidney Eppers
the 1st Bishop David Van Wagoner.
1st Pres. of Relief Society Mary Jane Eppersen
of the Y.L.M.I.A. Matilda Gerber Jacobs
Primary. Mary Alder. later Mary Alder Aplanalp.
Y.M.M.I.A.
Sunday School Attenall Wootton Sr.

Early school teachers. upper Settlement
Ira Jacobs. Lower Settlement, Simon
Higganbotham. in the Fort. Attenall
Wootton & Joseph Forbes. later Early Teachers
were Ira Jacob. Attenall Wootton Jr. Sarah
Wood. Mary Branson. Elizabeth Alexander
Wm Phelps. John Nugent. Lizzie
Lindsay. Leo Haslie. Monroe Gerber.
John Huber conducted a writing school in
the evenings at the German Hall.
early school trustees. Jeremiah Roby. C.I.
Branson. John Van Wagoner

Livery Stables were operated by S.N. Epperson
and Simon Epperson.

over

Blacksmith shops. Henry Alexander
Henry Coleman. ~~Robert~~ Dan Gibson Joseph Neilans
Ernest White. Robt. Ross. Wm Gibson. Robert
Krebs

Barber shops Birmingham. Holland
Hair.
Saloons. Harry Birmingham. Wm Wheable

Clothing store. Gottfried Bubler. Wilfer Van
Wagner. - Creamery Gottfried Bubler. +
the Mutual Co. -
Bath houses. J.S. Schmitter. Andrew Luke.
Gottfried Bubler. later John Luke. David
Murdock resort. now where Nephi Huber's home
stands. Huber's Grove. up at the Old Farm
1st school + church. a log building standing
between our present P.O. bldg + the old Co-op
Store. Tithing Office where the Reed Kohler home
now stands. The German Hall. school house
where P.O. is now located. new school House on
present site. dance Halls. Old log school
house. Tithing Office. Van Wagner Hall. built
on the site of David F. Van Wagner home. +
the present Amusement Hall,

The first Cemetery was located on the low hill just West of the Schmitter Hot Pole, but was later moved to the site of our present Cemetery. among those buried in the Upper Cemetery were Robert Wright. Father of Betty Roas) Dr. John Gerber, Roswell Bland. father of Moroni Bland) John Gerber Mollman and a baby of John & Anna Mollman. Julia aged 19 Gerber Jacobs & infant babe, 1st wife of Ira Jacobs. Mrs Marsh. mother of Mary Thompson) 2 or 3 children of Ulrich & Conrad Abegglen. Sarah Gerber. a baby of Mr & Mrs Jack Shelley a baby of Mr & Mrs John Huber. Oscar Van Wagener. son of John sen. & Clarissa Van Wagener a baby of James T. and Malissa Wilson Mrs Wright. mother of Betty Roas.) John Neil and son John. whose bodies were later taken up and interred in the lower cemetery. among the first to be buried in the Lower or present Cemetery was Henry Coleman father of Henry T. Coleman who died on X-mas day 1867 and a baby "Thomas" son of John & Mary Ann Sawyer Watkins

Presidents of Relief Society

1st Pres.
Mary Jane Robey Epperson
Mary Bronson.
Mary McOlney
Charlotte Gurney } Mary Jane McCarrell
Cynthia Wootton counselors
Mary Ann Watkins } " "
Cynthia A. Wootton } Phebie Bonner
Emily M. Coleman counselors.
Emily M. Coleman. } Phebie Bonner
Anna Hauster
Margaret Y. Van Wagoner counselors.
Mary Johnson } Melvina Wootton
Celeste Van Wagoner } Clara Pyper counselors.
Mary C. Probst. Hazel Coleman
Myrtle Hardy, Margaret Meeri
Lorna Van Wagoner, Counselors.
Jennie Pyper Johnson, Elsie Kohler. Marie Van Wagoner Counselors.

2nd Ward

Elizabeth Wintch. } Mary Huber
Martha Bronson Counselors.
Martha Bronson } Mary M. Huber. Elizabeth Huntington Counselors.
Elizabeth Huntington. } Mary Kohler. Carrie Probst
Minnie Cloff. Counselors.
Ordena Orrock } Grace Sonderegger. Emma C. Probst Counselors.
Grace Sonderegger. } Eliza Gertch. Theresa Coleman
Emma C. Probst. Counselors.
Beth Probst. Myrle Dean. Vera Provost. "
Nettie Huber

Stores in Midway

James Gurr
Geo. Snyder
David Van Wagener
Banner Brothers
David Murdock
Gottlieb Probst at time
J. B. Wilson at time
William Watkins
Thomas Hair
Van Wagener Brothers
Milford Van Wagener
Fred Buehler
Alder Brothers
Lettie Brown
Guy Coleman
Lukes Hot-pots
Schneltin " "
Reed Kohler

Millenary
Jane McCarell
Mrs Elizabeth Alexander
Myrtle Aplanalp
Jean Alder
Mary Watkins
Agnes Hancock
Annie Van Wagener

M.I.A. & Primary

the first president of the Y.L. M.I.A was Matilda Gerber Jacobs -

the first Pres. of the Primary was Mary Alder Aplanalp.

The first amusement Hall & school house was built of logs. and stood just west of the Post office & Community building lots a substantial School House was built on the present site of the Community building. The thishing office was built on the site of the present home of Reed Kohler. and was used for many years as an church and amusement building. later Daniel Van Wagenen built a large frame building on the site of the John Van Wagen Sr. home which was used for amusement purposes & also where the first New West schools was held. there was also a building. just north of the Public square where the Swiss people held their meetings and which was also used as a school house. called the German Hall. later the Amusement Hall was built which is now used as a canning center.

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among Our early carpenters were Jeremiah Robey Sr. Jeremiah A. Robey. MORONI Moore Blood, John Van Wagenen Sr. and Peter Gallie.

MINUTES OF FIRST OLD FOLKS PARTY AT MIDWAY
THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 1899
HELD IN OLD VAN WAGNER HALL

The old folks of Midway held a reunion at the Social Hall on Friday, April 21, 1899. Owing to the demise of our esteemed townsman, Elder Elijah Alder, a large portion of the ward was not represented at the reunion; however, as it were, about 90 people participated in the enjoyment. An interesting program had been prepared by the committee of arrangements.

At noon the aged folks who had been brought together by comfortable conveyances, were all seated and the proceedings commenced by the congregation singing, "We Thank Thee Oh God for a Prophet, & etc." Bp. John Watkins presiding at the organ. Prayer was offered by Councellor A. J. Alexander. Bishop Watkins made a short speech of "Welcome," followed by Councellor Conrad Abegglin in bidding all a hearty welcome in the German tongue. Now everybody was ready for dinner, and it was announced by Elder Jacob Probst that dinner was also ready. Brother J. Robey asked the blessing.

Looking over the tables it would have been impossible to accuse anyone of neglect of duty related to gastronomical matters. The tables were loaded with the best in the market, well prepared, and relished in good style. A fine spirit seemed to brood over everybody; the salt and pepper of an occasional pun or part of some ancient story were not wanting, especially those relating to pioneer life. After dinner a recess of half an hour "was ordered" by the master of ceremonies, Jacob Probst, for a social chat: "and there was chat."

Elder Jeremiah Robey followed with a short speech saying, "I was born on the 14th day of April in 1809 in Harrison County, West Virginia. Heard the gospel and went to Nauvoo in (part torn from minutes), was baptized by the Prophet Joseph Smith, in the river, first for myself and afterwards for my father. Brother Joseph then put his arm around me saying: 'Now, your father is happy!' I worked on the temple doing all the turning that was done there and I hung the last door that swung in the temple. As far as any pay for work is concerned, as men understand it, I did not get any, but I received my endowments there, and that paid me very well for all I did or can do. The saints were poor and molested by the mobs. I finally went to Pisgah and there found my wife busy killing rattle snakes. I was at Nauvoo when the Prophet was killed; had my hand on his horse when he left for Carthage, and Brother Joseph said: 'I am going like a lamb to the slaughter.' Brother Graham stood by, asking some council from Joseph, to which the Prophet replied: 'I cannot give you council now; I am going to Heaven before I come back again.' If we had been in possession of our guns, we might have offered some protection." Brother Robey spoke in an easy and audible manner, his remarks making quite an impression.

Four of the YMMIA glee club rendered an original selection, "Ho, the Herd Bells Are Ringing, & etc." Followed by a violin solo by Miss Sylva Kanah which was exceedingly well executed. Father Conrad Gertsch favored us with a German song in his own alpine style, entitled "The Chamois Hunter." Brother B. M. Smith and Moroni Blood played a violin duet in the good old style of 40 years ago, which made some of the aged dancers twitch their toes in their shoes. Now as to step dancing, Brother A. J. Alexander can do it to anyone's satisfaction, giving an exhibition of his agility and time on the day and date aforesaid. A selection "Do None Remember Me" was sung by Bishop J. Watkins, Mrs. Watkins, and their daughter Polly, followed by a recitation by Miss Polly, entitled "The Old Man in the Palace Car." The members of the glee club gave one of their best, the "Schwitzers Heimweh" in German. In his interesting speech Brother B. M. Smith said he helped to plow the first furrough on this side of the River in 1859.

Minutes of First Old Folks Party at Midway
(Continued)

Brother E. A. Probst and Sister Maggie Watkins sang "Margherite," their voices blending remarkably well. The aforegiven judgment has since been proven to be entirely proper. Misses Ada Mohlman and Eliza E. Huber sang an original piece, "When the May Breeze Whisper," in which they were accompanied from the guitar by Brother John Huber. After singing the doxology and benediction by Bishop John Watkins, everybody appeared well satisfied and happy, wishing themselves and all mankind much good. And thus closed the old folks party, at Midway, Utah, on Friday afternoon, April 21st, 1899

By request of Committee
Very respectfully,

/s/ John Huber

(Copied from the original)

Lady Teachers of Midway

Miss Sarah Wood
Miss Mary Bronson
Elizabeth Alexander
Mary Alexander (O'Neil)
Lizzie Lindsay (Murdock)
Ida Murdock (Kirkham)
Katie Nateh "Murdock"
Macy Baker Miller
Rose Shore
Geneva Cherry
Ruby Cole
Pearl Ingram
Miss Rasmussen
Lara Peterson
Catherine Jorgensen "Wotton"
Madge Whiting
Martha Cameron
Maud Hamblin
Nellie Paddock
Helen Kimball
Ing Scott
Lida Harmer
Relva Booth "Ross"
Laura Shepherd
Fawn Hunt
Laura Eakles
Ruby Quinn "Bronson"
Mary Huber Probst
Edna Wilson "Young"
Ora Galli "Sweat"
Eva Bennell "Adams"
Ellen Wilson "Ellertson"
Ida Bonner Wootton
Mary Bonner "McMullin"
Eliza Bronson "Anderson"
Myrtle Thorpe
Mabel Thorpe
Eva Bonner "Jensen"
Lethe Coleman "Tatge"
Clara Huber
Rosetta Bosa "Olsen
Clara Bosa "Pace"
Alice Probst "Jorgensen"
Eva Huber "Wilson"
Vilate Aplanalp "Adams"
Mary E. Abbegglen
Cecil Wilson
Grace Watkins "Sonderegger"
Mary Christensen "Probst"
Emma Christensen "Probst"
Elsie Richards "Kohler"
Francis Chandler "Remund"
Amy Skinner "Tate"
Anna Turley "Van Wagner"
Grace Skinner

Midway First Ward homes

1 H. T. Coleman
2 Jog Sulser
3 Lawrence Muri
4 Glenna Ivers
5 Reed Beggant
6 Glade Bonnes
7 Ada Bonnes
8 Nellie Gibson
9 Florence Luke
10 Tommy Bonnes
11 Fay Van Wagenes
12 Hemes Murray
13 Harry Kohler
14 Sidney Epperson
15 Fred Hanton
16 Frank Slaughter
17 Wm Sizemore
18 Andy Anderson
19 Ernest Kuhni
20 Mahalia Peterson
21 Burton Alder
22 Ralph Johnson
23 Wm Gibson jr.
24 Orpha Casper
25 Geo. Johnson
26 Max Johnson
27 Will Larsen
28 Harry Rollins
29 Grant Remund
30 Sam Bungi.
31 Morris Buhler
32 Jack Buhler
33 Charles Buhler
34 Albert Kohler
35 Perry Mitchel
36 Emer Wilson
37 Diamond D.
38 Lizzie Luke
39 Freda Remund
40 Ray Luke
41 Evan Pope
42 Jim's Teteria
43 Grant Shelton
44 Walter Bates
45 Red Wood
46 Owen Probst
47 Wm Carlisle
48 Verna Berg
49 Maggie Kinney
50 Charles Hermes
51 Dean Luke
52 Basil Sulser
53 George Luke
54 John Frost
55 Bertha Sulser
56 Hugh Coleman
57 Raymond Wirth
58 Della Hain
59 Delie Luke
60 Joe Meeks.
61 France Luke
62 Leo Luke
63 Ray Kohler
64 Harvey Van
65 Will Alder
66 Ida Alder
67 Melvina Wootten
68 Otto Luke
69 Leo Breen
70 Dora Draper
71 Bob Welch
72 Wallace Luke
73 Sam Hain
74 Burton Van
75 Hayle Van
76 Ace Davis
77 Owen Bungi
78 Faye Giles
79 Mike Gail
80 Mrs Bermdorfer
81 Charles Johnson
82 Edith Van.

83 Jo Burgener
84 Jack Berry
85 Wallace Prevost
86 Geo. Huntington
87 Nonnie Burgener.
88 Bill Kolwitch.
89 Lulu Lonman
90 Wid Kohler. "Pugh"
91 Theron Sweat
92 Clark Bronson
93 Will Hauster
94 Francis Everett
95 Spud Hickart
96 Mr Wardell
97 Keith Bronson
98 Geo. Schear
99 Ronald Shear.
100 Myrle Dean
101 Hugh Kelly.
102 Carl Harney.
103 Fred Price
104 Simmons
105 Kenneth Mitchie
106 Theo Daybell
107 Reed Gertch
108 Myrle McDonald
109 Theo Hamilton
110 Von Hair
111 Dora Hair
112 Don Eppuson
113 Lottie Van
114 Joyce Jones
115 Eveice Schear
116 Wid Kohler
117 Albert Stenart
118 June Bonner
119 Floyd Bonner.
120 Clarence Probst
121 Ray Pyper
122 Clyde Alder (Rent)
123 Clyde Alder
124 Irvin Bowden
125 Lige Alder
126 Glade Davis
127 Lamont Luke
128 Geo. Remund
129 Elmer Broadhead
130 Alvus Read
131 Rex Kohler
133 Jim Gibson home
134 Conrad Gertch home
135 Ulrich Kuhn home

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Boys enlisted in the first World War.

1st 7 to enlist
Nathan C. Springer
Francis Probst
Conrad Boss
Tracy Blood
La Mont Epperson
Walter Burgener
Bernard Kennah. +
2nd Nathan C. Coleman
Delbert Ross
Tipton Epperson +

Barney Bonner
Bert Bonner
Floyd Bonner
Lester Blood
Clarence Probst
Parley Probst
Karl Probst
Vern Probst
Ernest Kuhni
Ellis Epperson
Elmer Huber
Leroy Huber
Frank Huber
Bernell Hair
Cyril Orrock

Lorenzo Wootton
Charlie Van Wagoner
Arthur Wilson
Earl Watkins
Vernell Coleman
Marcellus Provost
~~Karl Burgener~~
Paul Kuhni
Rondo Wilson
Frank Aplanalp
Walter Buhler
Frank Munk

Boys in the War 1941
Eugene Orgill
Dee Clay-burn

Families living in the Old Midway Fort in 1866-67-. which was built around what is now our Public Square.

(North side)
John Faucett
Jacob Burgener
Christian Schurney
John Buhler
Jacob Buhler
Gottlieb Buhler
Ulrich Abbegglen
Conrad Abbegglen
Dick Sherlock
Simon Schnietter
Kasper Sulser
Christian Abbegglen
Gottlieb Abbegglen
John Ertsinger
Peter Galli
Peter Aplanalp
William Coleman
Libbie Van Wagoner.

(East)
John Moser
John Davis
Charles Love
John Holfeltz
George Bonner Sr
Henry Coleman Sr
George Wilson Sr
Wm Wilson Sr
John Lowe
Jesse McCarrell
Joseph McCarrell
David Zurfelt
James Gurr
Mrs Condor
Harvey Meeks Sr.
Charles Gurney
Mrs Shelton
John O'Niel Sr.
George Wardle

(South)
Joseph Allen
John Watkins
David Van Wagoner
Ephrian Van Wagoner
Clara Van Wagoner
James Provost
Andrew Hamilton
David Hamilton
Moroni McOlney
Wm Bagley
Herbert Horsley
David Wood
Mark Smith
Attenall Wootton
Joseph Forbes

(West)
Sydney Eppersen
Jeremiah Robey
Simon Higgenbotham
Edwin Bronson
Samuel Thompson
Moroni Blood
Ira Jacobs
Joseph Jacobs
Lucian Jacobs
George W. Clift Sr
John Huber Sr
John Wintch
George Dabling
Dr John Gerber Sr
John Gerber Jr
Robert Cunningham
John Morton Sr
Wm Beeler
Zekel Bates

upper Cemetery
Robert Wright 1st man buried Father of Betty Ross
Dr. John Gerber father of Moroni Gerber
Roswell Blood father of Moroni Blood
Mrs Mary Jane Marsh 1st woman mother of Mary Thompson
Julia Gerber Jacob & baby 1st wife of Ira Jacobs
John Gerber Molhman.
infant son of John & Anna Molhman
Sarah Gerber dau of Dr. Gerber
Margaret Wright Moser. (granny Wright) mother Betty Ross
Children of Conrad & Ulrich Abbegglen
Jack Shelly's infant son
child of Mr & Mrs John Huber
Orson Van Wagoner infant son of John Sr. & Clara Van Wagoner
child of Moroni & Malissa Blood
child of James T. and Malissa Wilson
Child of Ellen Gibson Thornton

Lime Kiln
John Watkins
Wm Van Wagoner John Van Wagoner Sr. Fred. O. Hamster.
Thomas Bonner
Henry T. Coleman Jeane ant
Nephi Huber
Fred Barben

Carpenters
Jeremiah Robey
Jed Robey
Moroni Blood
Peter Galli

Masons
John Sonderegger
John Watkins
Fred Hamster Sr
Harry Buccinshaw
John Zwiefel

Brick makers
Wm Van Wagoner
David Provost
Henry Van Wagoner
John " " Sr

Early Choir Leaders
Genge Wardel
Genge Dabling
John Huber.

Fiddlers
Moroni Blood
Jed Robey
Geo. Wardel
Ed. Wardel
David Van Wagoner.
Mark Smith.

Singers
John Huber
Geo Wardel
Geo. Dabling
David Ludlow
Caroline Wardel
Maggie Cunningham
Mary Jane McCarel
Mary Ann Watkins
Julia Van Wagoner
Emily Wilson
Peter Aplanalp
Fredric Sr. Hasler Sisters
John Sr. Huber Sisters

1st Bishop
Sidney Epperson
David Van Wagoner Counselors
Henry Alexander

1st Relief Society President
Mary Jane Epperson

1st Sunday School Supt.
Attewell Wootton

1st Y.L.M.I.A. Pres.
Matilda Jacobs.

Y.L. M.I.A.

1st Primary President
Mary Alder - "Aplanalp".

1st P.O. Master
David Van Wagoner.

others. Wm Watkins
Cora Bigler (Wall)
Naomi Bergener.

Early Post masters
David Van Wagoner Sr.
William Watkins.

Black smiths

early Choir leaders
George Wardle
George Dabling
John Huber

Fiddlers
Mount Blood
Jed Robey
George Wardle
Ed Wardle
David Van Wagoner
Mark Smith.

Christian & Gottlieb Abbeglen
Fred Buhler

Early Swiss Settlers
Dr John Gerber
John & Jacob Buhler
Peter Aplanalp.
John Haber
Mr Nagele
Simon Schneetter
Ulrich Abegglen
Conrad Abegglen.
Kasper Sulzer
John Moser
Jacob Burgener
Christian Schurry
John Eitsinger
John Wintch
John Hanni
Probst
John Sonderegger

Grist Mills
Lower Settlement
John Van Wagoner Sr.
Midway. James Ross, Geo Bonner,
Mark Jeffs
Mr Saxey.
Nels Johnson
Millers
John Van Wagoner
Mr Horner
Hiram Horner (Denver)
Brig Mulliner
Nels Johnson

Saw Mills
John Van Wagoner
Henry Coleman sen.
David Van Wagoner
John Watkins
Peter Shirts
Ephiam Hanks
Wm Howard

Stores
Geo Coleman
Reed Kohler
Upper settlement
Henry Coleman
Lower " Dave Van Wagoner in home
Midway Geo. Snyder
Van Wagoner Bros, Dick Sherlock matilda springer home
Gottlieb Probst in home Ft. strong
David Van Wagoner
Reed Kohler. Bonner Bro.
Dave Murdock Wm Watkins
J.B. Wilson in home Gottlieb Buhler

Confectionary & Drug Store
Henry Coleman & Co.
Thomas Hair

Livery Stable
S.H. Epperson
Simon Epperson

Our first milliner was Mary Jane McCarrell later. Elizabeth Alexander. Myrtle Aplanalp & Mary Busby Watkins.

Our early dressmakers. Mary Jane McCarrell Elizabeth Epperson. Jane Alder Watkins Maggie J. Wilson and Elinor Blood Watkins.

Early school teachers
Simon Higganbotham, Ira Jacobs. attenall Wootton Joseph Forbes. Mr Phelps. John Nugent Mrs Sarah Wood Mrs Mary Bronson. Mrs Elizabeth Alexander John Huber Leo Hafelie. Lizzie Lindsay Moroni Gerber. (among the New West Teachers. were a Miss Abbott. Miss Sarah Elizabeth Jones. Anna V. La Rose. Etta Hunt. Jessie Hunt. ~~Francis~~ Frances Buck. Rena Clark Miss Green & Miss Slosson.

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among the first officers of the Y.M.M.I.A. were Adam Empey. David L. Van Wagoner attenall Wootton Jr. Henry T. Coleman

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among of the Sunday school " attenall Wootton Sr. Elizah Alder

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among Masons
John Watkins
Joseph Watkins
Fredric Haueter Sr.
Harry Burcimshan
John Zwiefel
John Van Wagoner
Henry Van Wagoner)

Brick makers.
the brick yard was just east of the Midway cemetery. and among others was operated by the Van Wagoner & Provost families.

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west

Early School Teachers
of Midway

Simon S. Higginbotham
Attewall Wootton Sr.
Joseph Forbes
John Phelps
Ira Jacobs
John Nugent
John Huber
Les Hafflie
Moroni Gerber
J. C. Caldwell
John Bell
Simon S. Epperson
John Mc Donald
George Childs
Alva Murdock
Attewall Wootton Jr.
John Wootton
George Wootton
William Wootton
Richard Wootton
David A Wootton
Clermont Haffaker
Theodore B. Miller
Charles E. Bronson
David Cleyburn
Reed Alred
Thomas Higgs
Ellis Isaacson

James Sorenson
George Hermanson
William Bond
La Monde Mc Guarrie
Edward Mc Guarrie
R. V. Huffaker
Clark Crook
Karl Probst
Clarence Probst
John Pendleton
Glen Rex
Ellis Steele

Midway boys who have taught in other communities.

William Aplanalp.
Guy. Coleman
Wm Hair
Paul Kuhnis
Arnold Bengener
Walter Bengener
Emery Epperson
Reed Aplanalp.
Reed Probst
Clive Remund
James B. Wilson
Alvin Kinsey

Midway girls who have taught in other communities,

Eva Wilson
Jean Coleman
Edna Coleman
Rhea Coleman "Guild
Maggunite Huber
Matilda Huber
Sylvia Probst
Mary Probst
Leah Probst "Geffy"
Lacy Aplanalp "Greenwood
Elfreda Remund
Edith Wilson "Anderson"
Maud Coleman
Edna Coleman
Edna Coleman
Rhea Coleman
Vilate Aplanalp
Myrtle "
Sylvia Kennah

Names of New West Teachers.

Elizabeth Jones
Anna V. La Rose
Miss Anna Slosson
Mrs J. C. Caldwell
Rena Clark
Ettie Hunt
Jessie Hunt
Frances Buck
Geneva Green
Lizzie Abbott
Bond

Volenteers & drafted from the Midway

First Ward.

1 Bernard Kennah
2 Delbert Rosa
3 Nate Coleman
4 Frank Applanalp
5 Lorenzo Wootten
6 Barney Bonner
7 Bertel Bonner
8 Ernest Kuhni
9 Paul Kuhni
10 Roy Watkins
11 Elmer Huber
12 Frank Huber
13 Rondo Wilson
14 Vernell Coleman
15 Wm Mitchel
16 Alan Wilson
17 Frank Monk
18 Burnell Hair
19 Roy Huber
20 Floyd Bonner
21 Charles Wilson

Midway Second Ward.

1 Nate Springer
2 Francis Probst
3 Clarence Probst
4 Carl Probst
5 Conrad Boss
6 Arnold Boss
7 Ellis Eppesen
8 La Mont Eppesen
9 Cyril Monk
10 Marcellus Probst
11 Howard Vail
12 Charles Van Wagener
13 Walter Burgener
14 Carl Burgener
15 Tracy Blood
16 Francis Buhler
17 John Farrer
18 Monroe Van Wagener
19 Parley Probst
20 Leslie Blood
22 Walter Buhler
22 Vernon Probst

Singers,

George Wardle
George Dabling
Attenall Wootton Sr
John Huber Sr.
James O Niel
Jacob Portal
Ulrich Portal
Simon Epperson
Elmer Epperson
Thomas Hair
James Pyper
Sam Bugi
Frank Epperson
albert Kohler
Tommy Schneider
Clyde Pyper (Lobie)
Karl Portal
Reed Kohler
Rulon Huntington
Roy Huffaker
Calvin Huffaker
Joseph Jorgensen
Francis Portal
Nephi Portal

Carson Smith
Nellie Epperson Smith
David ~~McGimpsey~~
McGimpsey

Elizabeth Ross
Maggie Cuningham
Mary Jane McCarrell
Mary Ann Watkins
Emily Wilson
Julia Van Wagoner
Maggie Huber
Lizzie Huber Kennah
Mary Huber Portal
Eliza Huber Gibson
Emma Huber Gibson
Jennie Epperson Ross
Matilda Hamblin
Ellen Wilson
Ruth Colman Phillips
June Van Wagoner

Catherine Huffaker
June Bess Tatton
Joan Larsen
Elsie Kohler
Mary C. Portal
Margie Cook Porter

Early Dramatics

John Minton
Attenall Worton Sr.
Attenall Worton Jr.
Robert B. Ross
Henry J. Coleman
Simon Epperson
John F Van Wagener
Caroline Wardle
Ella Alexander Ross
Avis Benson Van Wagener
Emily Springer Coleman
Lillie Springer Alexander
George Huntington
Wm Mathews
Joseph Huber
Nephi Huber
Edward Worton
Nathan C. Springer
George Wilson
Vern Huffaker
Clermont Huffaker
Henry S. Coleman
Guy E. Coleman
Clermont Huffaker
Ben Clark
Keith Coleman
Dale Coleman
Reed Van Wagener

Some folks who have written stories & poems & songs

John Huber Sr.
Thomas Wilson
Edward Worton
Leo Haffie
Emily Springer Coleman
Guy E. Coleman
Carrie Wright Probst
Dan Epperson
Myrle Kelly Dean
Sylvia Probst Young

Vera Epperson Clayton
Lethe Coleman Tate
Lunicia Epperson Mathews
Lola Benner Worton
Merle Coleman Madsen
Rhea Coleman Guild
Ruth Coleman Phillips
Chloe Coleman Madsen
Eva Benner Jensen
Edith Benson Van Wagener
Birdine Huffaker Tippets
Lola Huffaker Wilson

Leave out

Early Nurses and midwives

Mrs Mary Smith, Margaret Brack, Mary Gerber, Mrs Neal, Margaret Watkins, Cordelia Wilson, later Margaret Clayton Kelly, Elizabeth White Benson

Early School Teachers.
upper settlement
Ira Jacobs.

Lower - Midway
Simon Higganbotham

Midway.
~~Ira Jacobs~~ Joseph Forbes.
Attenall Wootton
Sarah Wood Jacobs
Mary Branson
Elizabeth Alexander
Mr Phelps
Leo Haslie
Moroni Gerber
Lizzie Lindsay
Mr Nugent.
Night writing school
John Huber.

Early Choir leaders.
Geoge Wardell
Geoge Dabling
John Huber.

1st Bishop
Sydney Epperson
2nd. Lavird Van Wagoner

1st Relief Society President
Mary Jane Epperson
2nd Mary Branson

1st Primary President
Mary Alden Aplenalp.

1st M. I. A.
Matilda Gerber Jacobs.

First Post Office
Lavird Van Wagoner

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later Mr Watkins
Cora Vail Bigler
Naomi Burgner.

Fiddlers
Moroni Blood
Jeremiah Bobey Jr.
Geoge Wardell
Ed Wardell
& later the Lavird
Van Wagoner family

lady singus
Maggie Cunningham
Caroline Wardell
Julia Van Wagner
Mary Ann Wathins
Jane McCarrell
Emily Wilson
Geo. Wardell
Dlavid Ludlow

Grist mills
Lower settlement
John Van Wagner Sr.
Midway
Hiram Dennis

Stores
Geo. Snyder Sherlock in the Fort
Dlick Sherlock
Dlavid Van Wagner
Banna store
Ulrich Probst
Will Wathins.

Millers shop
Mary Jane McConnell

1st Saw mill
Henry Coleman Sr.
2nd Morris Blood.

Canyons
Soldier Hollow
Sid's canyon
Bonner Hollow
Pine. Canyon
Lime "
Snake Creek canyon
Devil Hollow
Mahogny ridge
Jesse's mound
Snake View
Hot-pots

Streams
Pine Creek
Snake "
Spring "
Provo River

Resorts
Mound above town
Dave Murdock resort
Huber's Grove
Schneitter Hot-Pots
Luke's " " resort

1st brass band
Andreas Bungener, leader
Christian Bungener
John "
Peter Aplanalp Jr
Conrad Abegglen jr.
Christian Bunge

Martial band
David Provost drummer
Henry Von Wagoner fife
Robert Ross drummer
Jesse McConnell do fife
jesse " " drummer

Cheese makers
Gotlieb abbegglen
ulrich abbeggen

Gottfieb Bubler

Livery stables

There were two livery stables in Midway prior to 1890. the first owned and operated by Sidney H. Epperson. and the later one by his son Simm S. Epperson. one on the west side of town & one on the east.

Relief Society

The first president was Mary Jane Roley Epperson. the 2nd Mary Clark Brown the 3rd Mary McAlvey. 4th Charlotte Gurney. the 5th Mary Ann Watkins. prior to 1890

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old homes in Midway that have passed & never rebuilt

Robt. Krebs home. west of hot pots (Schneitter)

Old Schneitter home north of Lundin's

Alice Vail's home. south of August Kohler's

Old Thompson home. west of Homer Sulser

Roy Alexander home south of Henry Boswhiller,

Geo. Dabling " between Grace Sunday & Paul Prosser

Christian Scheerer " between Chris & John Burgener

Peter Aplanalp home between Fay Buhler & John Carrol

N. C. Springer home between Stevens & Cloyd Prosser

Melvin Ross home between Huntington & Wendell Cluff,

John Hershey. between Faye Buhler & John Carrel

Maudie Utaker home. on mound west of Mont Carrol

~~Gottlieb Schear home west of the present home~~

Lou Epperson home south of old grist mill

Hy Hansen home east of grist mill

Manning home east of Matilda Springer

Peggy Morton north of old Gertch home

Otto Harter stringtown

public buildings. old tithing office

Both house on top of mound

Fred Buhler store

Mutual creamery

Grist mill

Rose Blood saw mill.

Dave Murdock store

New West school

Springer black smith shop

1st Ward

Ed Morton home. west of Will Provost
Jane Horner home between Albert Stewart & Statie service
Gottlieb Schoen home. west of Joe Galli's
Lizzie Kennah home west of Reuben Casper
Robt. Cunningham home north of Will Wilson
Tom Monk home on Wilson farm.
Harvey Meeks home west of Albert Kohler
Jesse McCarrell home. Geo. Johns' barn
Mrs Baldwin home between
Old Peterson home East of John Peterson
Fred Hauder home. south of Memorial Hill

Public building
Vom Wagoner Hall.
Myrtle Aplanaps milliner shop
Ross black smith shop
Simon Epperson livery stable

Midway Booster Club

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MIDWAY, UTAH

HEBER VALLEY, UTAH

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A History Of The Midway Boosters Club .

In the Year 1947 there developed a great amount of interest in some sort of civic organization. Several nationally known organizations solicited support to commence membership in Midway. It was in this year that Mr. Joseph Erwin and his wife Pauline purchased the Luke's Hot Pots and commenced opperations there. A large number of Towns People met for a dinner in the early part of the year at the Luke's dining room and there organized what became the Midway's Booster's Club, with the following officers : Reed Kohler President, Francis Probst 1st Vice President, and Wm Haueter 2nd Vice President, Leroy Huffaker Secretary and Treasurer.

Many committiees were selected to serve for the year and in the month of September a highly successful celebration known as the Harvest Festival was held. It included a free Barbecue serving about 1000 persons, A miniture parade and a program and dance in the evening.

The following year 1948 the organization was headed by Mr Francis Probst president, Roy Huffaker 1st Vice President, Reed Kohler 2nd Vice President, with Fay Van Wagner Sec. and Treas. In 1949 Vonda Huntington and committee brought back to Midway many talented people who had left by presenting a succesful home coming program. The Program was called ;The Good Ship Midway.

Again the usual activities including the Harvest Festivial were carried out and with greater membership and added enthusiasm.

During this year the old buildings were torn down on the South west corner of the town square and earth hauled preparatory to making a flower garden.

Through the year 1949 LeRoy Huffaker served as President with George Remund 1st Vice President and Albert Kohler as the 2nd Vice President and Grant Remund as the Sec .and Trea. This year in addition that to the usual activies including the celebration

the club planted the above mentioned area into grass assisting the town in placing a sprinkling system ,and the flower garden began to grow under the direction of the Midway Garden club that was starting to function at that time.

In 1950 Leland Ivers served as President with Wendell Cluff as 1st Vice President and Myron Gale as 2nd Vice President and Sylvan Burgi as Sec.and Trea. A Large Barbecue, Parade, Flower Show, Rodeo and a special Program on the Saturady evening were followed by a dance.

This was the year that they took in 1100, Dallars at the Dance. They also planted the entire area surrounding the school house into lawn . Many free hours were spent in the project as well as free dinners served under the direction of Mrs .Ruby Provost.

In 1950 Francis and Lethe Tatge directed the "Little Rodeo".

In 1951 Myron Gale was President, George Remund 1st Vice Pres. Reed Kohler 2nd Vice President.Lavon Hair as the Sec. & Treas. It was a busy year with all the free time of members ,and especially the leader ,Pouring concrete for the tennis court on the school grounds. WE also had a calander drive this year to get funds for the project. the usual activities occupied the year, and the Tatge's presented "Jack and the Beanstalk."

IN 1952 Wendell Cluff was President with Wilburn Huffaker asec.&Treas Earl Houtz vice Presidents, Ruby Provost 2nd Vice Pres. As a major activity the club paid off the balance of the account of the tennis court also added a tall fence to the court. Clarence H, Probst and LeRoy Huffaker presented a musical "Midway Harvest Days ." Miss Verna Berg supervized the costume and scenery .

In 1953 Scott Whitaker was chosen President of the Club, Lethe Tatge and Reed Kohler vice-Presidents, Lona And Austin Kelly,

Secretary And Treasurer.It was this year that the first Swiss Days theme was adopted for the celebration, The Swiss-Market and Swiss-Parade were a part toghther with the famous Edelweiss Chorus coming from Salt Lake and furnishing much of the singing. The free Barbecue was discontinued.

In 1954 Bert Blood was President and Nephi Probst and Albert Kohler were vice- presidents.with Kenneth and Carmen Kohler sec. & Trea. This was one of the best years for the flower show and Art show, also the usual activities of a year well spent.

Vern Wilson was elected president of the organization in 1955 with George Remund and Francis Probst as vice- presidents.Jane and Alma Durtschi served as Secretary. And as a special Tribute to Jane ,I found more material to help with this history .than any other year. The Swiss-Days celebration was again sponsored this year, and at the end of the season , a contribution of $200.00. was given to the city to be used toward the sprinkling system in the town ball park.

In 1956 Robert Welch was selected to head the activiebies of the club as President. Assisting him was Lincoln Pugh and Delbert Wallengren as Vice- presidents,with Lillie and Vern Wardell as Sec.&trea. During this year all efforts were consetrated on presenting a successful Swiss Celebration.

Delbert Walengren headed the organization in 1957. vice Presidents were Ray Gertsch and Lavon Hair. Lillie And Vern Wardel WERE re-ELected as SEc.& Trea. Another very sucessful celebration was sponcered under the direction of this group,with a number of new events added to t the occasion.

Activities in 1958 were under the direction of president Reed Kohler with Clyde Alderad and Delbert Wallengren as Vice Presidents. Shirley and Clifton Chatwin were Sectary and treasurer.

In addition to sponsoring the Swiss-celebration a number of civic projects were started. A project for obtaining better telephone service was conducted with the results of a number of additional lines being strung to Midway with fewer patrons on each line. The group also sponsored a town clean -up and a paint -up campaign. They gave their support to the county and civic orgaanizations in pushing for the development of the Bates reservoir instead of raising of the Deer Creek Reservoir.

It was decided in 1959, that a board of directors should conduct the activities of the club ,with a six member baard, and they would select the one to be president . So they elected Reed Kohler as the President, and Clyde Alder and Nephi Probst as one Year directors. Earl Kohler, Pete Coleman, And Alberta S. Provost as 2 Year Directors. Alberta S. Provost also acted as the Sectrecary and Treasurer. There was a very good membership this year,and we had some projects,as Recretion & Parks, Advertizing,Clean- up, New Industies , Socials, Clyde Started the Street Signs.

We cancelled the Swiss-Days Program and celebration to help the County carry out the Centenial of One Hundred Years. The Beginning of the Town Halloween Parties was started and was a Big success.

In 1960 Ferrin Whitaker was Chosen as the President for the yaer. Ray Gertsch, And Lee Ivers were elected as the new Directors for the year. Earl Kohler & Pete Coleman & Alberta S Provost as Sec & Treasurer tos.

We completed the Street signs,and the naming of the Streets .Also all the houses were given numbers. We also had a very sucessful cut-door Barbecue for all members and there famlies,the Town-clean-up, Halloween Party, and a Huge Swiss-Days Celebration, the program was "Midway To Heaven." the music written by Jack Kuhni, and the play by Orma Wallengren.

For the year of 1961 Ray O. Gertsch,was chosenas the president of the club,Wm. Tuotte Merle Madsen, Wm. Haueter were the Three new delegates. Alberta S. Provost as Sec.& treasure. Lee Ivers and Ferrin Whitaker were the others.

We had another good year with alarge membership drive, town -clean-up, out-door party, a very large Swiss-days Celebration. Our Hall-oween party is growing each year. We gave $500.00 this year to the town for the accustics in the Town Hall.

In the year of 1962 Lincoln D. Pugh was made the presidento of the Boosters Kay F. Probst Vice Pres, Alberta S. Provost was Made the Sec. & tres. Grant Shelton, Roy Kohler, Merle Madsen, Wm Tuotte members of the board.

We had the usual problems, and were sucessful in our membership drive for the year, more and more are joining us to help each year. We did a good town clean -up and then our out-door party to which all members and there families were invited. About 130 people were to theis party.

We had a big Swiss-days Celebration ,with a good Parade, swiss-market,a real good program both nights,under the direction of Clarence Probst. Verna Berg did the staging and costumes. and our dance was a better sucess this year. We had at least 300 people to the town Halloween party, each year they get better. At our Honor Banquet we paid Honer to one very deserving of it. Leo Luke has helped the Booster's for many years in all their troubles and good things,with never a word of complaint from him. We note that the officers change from year to year but all thru the years Clarence H. Probst has been faithful in leading his chours of singers that have always made our program such a success.

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Summary of the Boosters Officers.

1947 Reed Kohler Pres.
Francis Probst
William Hauster
Roy Huffaker Sec.
Gave over a 1000 Hamburgers free

1948 Francis Probst Pres.
Roy H uffaker
George Remund
Fay Van Wagener Sec
Tore down the old house on the town Square and haulded in the Dirt for grass and flowers. Fred Ausberger made many trips to help landscape the area.
Put on the play, GOOD SHIP MIDWAY. Vonda Huntington in Charge.

1949 Roy Huffaker Pres.
George Remund
Albert Kohler
Finished the town square flower garden. Helped the Garden Club plant shrubs and flowers. Putting in grass alone was a chore.

1950 Leland Ivers Pres.
Wendell Cluff
Myran Gale Sylvan Burgi Sec.
Put in all the grass around the school house
Francis and Lethe Tadge put on a little rodeo and play.

1951 Myran Gale Pres.
George Remund
Reed Kohler
Poured the concrete and made a tennis court.
Play, Jack and the bean Stock... By Francis and Lethe Tadge.

1952 Wendell Cluff Pres.
Ruby Provost
Earl Houtz Mr. & Mrs Wilburn Huffaker Sec.
Paid off tennis court debt. Put a tall fence around court.

1953 Scott Whitaker
Lethe Tadge
Reed Kohler Austin & Lona Kelly Sec. from Salt Lake
Introduction to Swiss Markets . Music By Swiss Chorse on Friday Sat. Musical Clarence H. Probst, Director local musicians

1954 Bert Blood
Nephi Probst
Albert Kohler Ken & Cam men Kohler Sec.

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1955 Vern Wilson Pres.
George Remund
Francis Probst Alma & Jane Durtschi. Sec.
Donated money for high school band uniforms. Town Sprinkling system.
Little league base ball team. Celebration for July 4th
Donated money to help Keith Bronson, because of sickness.

1956 Bob Welch Pres.
Lincoln Pugh Turned over $143.55
Del Wallingren Mr.& Mrs Vern Wardle Sec.
Helped with the March of Dimes. Spring clean-up.
B.Y.U. Varity Show. Had Piano tuned. Banguet.

1957 Del Wallengren Pres.
Ray Gertsch ~~Turned over $143.55~~
Lavon Hair Mr. & Mrs Vern Wardle Sec.
Movies and refreshments. Spring clean-up. Pictures of Swiss Life.
Helped to improve the telephone system and naming streets.
Turned over $405.36

1958 Reed Kohler Pres
Del Wallehgren
Clyde Alder Cliff & Shirley Chatwin. Sec
Telephone service promised, new lines, fewer parties on lines.
Streets named. Park areas discussed. Sentor Watkins Approached.
Elsie Kohler Sponcered as Mother of the year.
Helped on Rose Garden on the town square. Town clean- up.
Worked on trying to get a simi -fore light on main street in Heber
Group appointed for Hi-way through Provo Canyon.
Discussed buying lots with old barns and selling them when they are cleaned up. Open House for Elsie Kohler
Worked on stringtown road to get it oiled.
Albert built a merry-go -around. Cleaning up the trash pile.
Cleaning up Hot Pots at the Snake Creek Place.
Turn by Grace Sonderegger corner extended 2ft.
Danny Epperson Bridge extended
Swiss Chorse in tabernacle, proceeds to go to first ward building fund, Halloween Party

1959 Reed Kohler Pres. Nephi Probst
Clyde Alder Leland Ivers
Pete Coleman Alberta Provost Director & Sec.
Voted in 6 directos to help . Wrote histories for D.U. P. book.
Made plans for a christmas tree on memorial hill for christmas.
Halloween party for town. Worked to get a sign down on the Charleston road how to come to Midway, No Swiss -Days but we he helped with the county for centianal days. Turned in $315.83

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1960 Ferrin Whitaker Pres. Earl Kohler
Leland Ivers Pete Coleman
Ray Gertsch Alberta Provost
Road signs are ready. Free B.B.Q. .Paid to have accustics in Town Hall reparied. Helped on the rose garden. B.Y.U. play Jack Kuhni & Orma Walengren wrote the play MIDWAY TO HEAVEN for Swiss days. Garden boxes for the town hall. Town clean -up. $50.00 given to Grace Sonderegger as Mother of the year.

1961 Ray O Gertsch Pres. William Hauerter
Ferrin Whitaker William TWotte
Lee Ivers Merle Madsen Alberta Provost Sec.
Flag ceremony.. Out-door-B.B.C. Margart Masters as M.C.
Halloween Party Swiss days.

1962 Lincoln Pugh Leroy Kohler
Kay Probst Merle Madsen
Grant Shelton William Twotte Alberta Provost Sec.
Clean up day .,Boosters were host for the detication of our new Post office Served punch and cookies. Swiss- days Banguet Halloween party.

1963 Taken from the big book from here on.
Ralph Fugate Pres. Vivien Probst
Kay Probst Grant Shelton
Afton Schear Leroy Kohler Arlo Fillmore Sec.
Prof. Shand helped with the string instruments at Swiss Days.
Swiss days And a Junior rodeo

1964
Arlo Filmore Pres. Darlene Shelton
Ralph Fugate Lowell Coleman
Carmen Kohler Vivien Probst Evonne Dawson Sec.
Swiss days

1965 Earl Houtz Pres. Rullon Huntington
Carmen Kohler Bill Mair
Lowell Coleman June Tatton Sec.
Swiss days... Honor Citizen Lethe Tadge
Clean -up Childrens Rodeo B.B.Q. Flag Ceremony

1966 Bill Mair Pres. Rulon Huntington
Ivan Pope Raymond North
Earl Houtz Shirley Lance Carla Fillmore Sec.
Clean-up..Want place on national Bueatification list.
Got rid of all old cars.Had 38 block caption for clean-up.
Banquet for honered citizen,.Clarence Probst. July 4th Cele.
Dan Valentines comments in the Paper. Made seats or bleachers to seat 100 people on square.Put out trash barrels.

1967 Ivan Pope' Pres. Raymond North
Dennis Clegg Shirley Lance
Dezzie Probst Calvin Craig Glenna Wilson Sec.

Swiss days.

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1968 Dennis Clegg Pres. Calvin Craig
Jan Furner Sherlene Wilson
Maren Durtschi Leland Ivers Glenna Wilson.Sec.
Raymond North made an M on Wilson Peak ..Clean-up
July 4th Cele. Swiss-days Honer Citizen. Elsie Kohler

1969 Leland Ivers Pres. Ray Fillmore Carole Jones.
Lowell Johnson Rita Wilson Phyllis Kohler Sec.
Sherlene Wilson Sharlene LLoyde
Youth Representives: Clark Bonner & Sheila Probst

1970 Lowell Johsnson Pres. Ray Fillmore
Berlin Whitaker Rita Wilson
Emer Wilson Sharlene Lloyd Phyllis Kohler sec.

1971 Daniel Ballstaet Pres. Carole Jones
Walton Farmer Pam Giles
Emer Wilson June Tatton
Berlin Whitaker Sharlene Lloyd Phyllis.

1972

1973 Kenneth Kohler Pres. Marguerita Huber Phyliss Kohler
Allen Madsen Lola Walker Shirley Chatwin
Daniel Ballstaedt Karl North Dolly Eichers
Hal Johson Larry Bonner

1974 Larry Bonner Pres. Gordon Shipley Ed Thacker
Dolly Eichers Betty Hoggan
Marguerite Huber Allan Madsen
Leslie Michie Karl North

1975 Gordon Shipley Pres. Karl North Veon Price
Dolly Eichers Elaine North Beverly Prince
Ferrin Whitaker Alan Madsen
Marilynn Neilson Wilburn Huffaker

1976 John Eberhardt Veon Price Margaret Eberhardt
Wilburn Huffaker Clayton Prince Alan Madsen
Ferrin Whitaker Marilyn Neilson Martha Whitaker SEC.
Joy Prince Beverly Prince

A few words of advice and Dedication

It seemed time was marching on until there was a question in peoples mind as to when the Midway' Booster's club was organized and who the officers had been. I decied it was time something was done about it so I started a compaign to seek out the information and compile this history of the club.

Reed Kohler had written a brief history that also helped.

I would say that I hope that my Sucessors would feel the importance of this , and carry on to keep this record up to date.

I would like to dedicate this book to all the officers of the club who have spent many hours of work in the day time to help this work go on, and to the many hours at night they couldn't sleep because of the worry trying to work things out.

They have all been faithful to the club or we never would of had the sucess we have.

I do hope that before to long that pictures of all the officers will be taken and placed in thier rightful place in this book.

Thank You :

Alberta S. Provost

Harvest Festival Deemed Huge Success

The conclusion of another Midway "Harvest Festival" Days brings a vote of thanks from townspeople for the efforts which made the fair, held last Friday and Saturday, August 29 and 30, such a success. Under the capable direction of Ruby Provost, Earl W. Houtz, Wendell Cluff and Wilburn Huffaker, Midway Days of 1952 attracted crowds from all over Wasatch County and contributions from hundreds of local citizens.

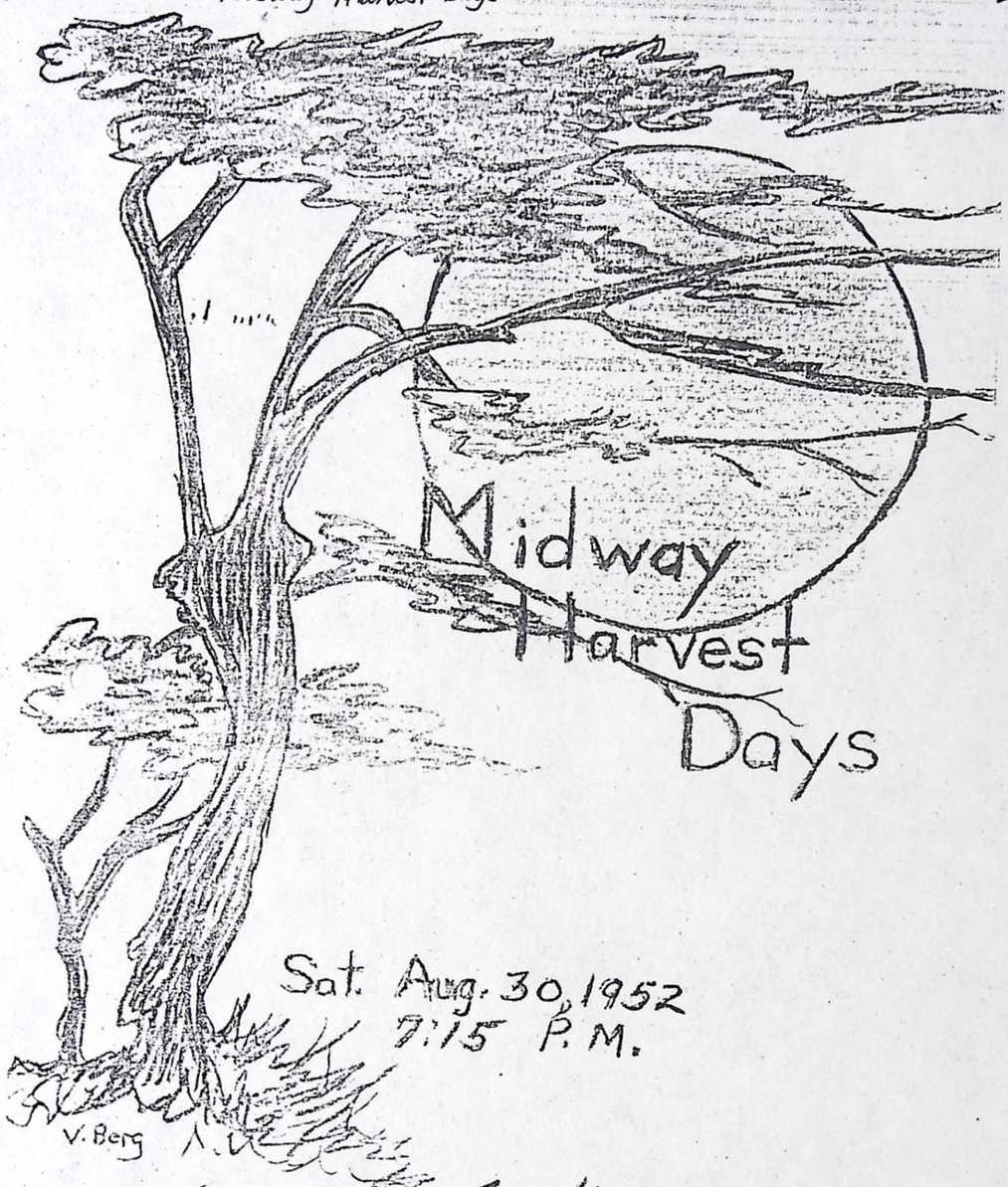
Permission for use of school grounds was generously granted by the school board, while Heber City Mayor R. N. Jiacoletti, with the cooperation of county and city officers, state officers and the Heber Fire Department, is to be congratulated on providing protection for the crowds which attended the two-day celebration. Mayor Earl Kohler of Midway and his Town Board cooperated willingly on on plans suggested by festival directors.

Midway is deeply grateful to all the business houses of the county who so generously contributed for the prizes which were given at the dance.

Thanks go, too, to the following committee heads who worked untiringly to insure Midway a successful fair: Midway 1st and 2nd Ward Mutual Improvement Association officers, sewing exhibit; Ward Relief Societies, bottled food exhibit; Midway Garden Club, flower exhibit; Alma Huber and Roy Kohler, farm and garden exhibit; George Remund and Vern Wilson, in charge of rodeo and sporting events; Clarence Probst and Fred Haueter, evening program; Lois Pope, parade; Ren Provost, barbecue; Earl Houtz and Dave Provost, Harvest Festival dance; Myrle Dean and Mary Probst, food sale.

Nancy Haueter was responsible for the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers display; Lila Durtschi and Leah Wilson had charge of the Primary exhibit. Other workers included Alvin Kohler and Wilburn Huffaker, drinks and hot dogs; Nephi Probst and Dale Provost, advertising and sound car; Dean Zenger, hobby exhibit; Charles Buehler, art exhibit; Dave Provost, martial band; Karl Probst, Booster Band; Mike Gale and Wendell Cluff, daylight salute; Ruby Provost, concessions; Lucy Gertsch, European display, and Ira Dearn, who provided the vaudeville show. Talented young Valerie Jones entertained with a dance during the vaudeville performance. First and Second Ward Junior Gleaners and Gleaner Girls, 4-H Club leaders and display hostess deserve credit for their efforts. We especially want to thank those who came to judge the exhibits.

Copy of
Program for first Concert - 12 member Chorus
Midway Harvest Days



Sat. Aug. 30, 1952
7:15 P. M.

Program Committee:
Clarence H. Probst
Fred Haueter

1. "United America"----------Orchestra

2. "Syncopated Clock"----------Charlotte and Julie Nicol
Accompanied by Doris Nicol

3. "Dance Gypsy, Play Gypsy"--Barbara Kohler
Marjoria Provost

Swiss Yodelers--Sponsored by Lucy Gertsch
Charles Grab, Melanie and Paul Backer, Fritz and Alfred Balmer.
Alpine Horn played by Hans Balmer.

5. "Merriment Polka"----------Elroy & Ferrin Van Wagoner

6. "A Pretty Girl is Like a Melody"-----Trio
Jean Jorgenson, Joyce Probst, and Karma Lefler

Girls: Genevieve Buehler, Lois Street Joann and Diann Buehler, Kaye Mitchell, Carolyn Buehler, Norma Joan Turnbow, and Beverley Bowden.

Directed and Costumed by Verna Berg

7. "Shepherd's Dream"----------Orchestra

8. "Shine On Harvest Moon"----------Trio
Barbara, Eloise and Zelda Kohler

9. "Spirit of the West"----------Orchestra

10. "Victor Herbert's Favorites"--------Chorus and Orchestra

Chorus Members

Sopranos	Tenors
Marjorie Provost	Clyde Pyper
Eloise Kohler	Roy Huffaker
Joyce Probst	Calvin Huffaker
Altos	**Basses**
Barbara Kohler	Reed Kohler
Zelda Kohler	Dean Zenger
Elda Kohler	Alvah Kohler

Orchestra Members

Piano----------June Tatton

Violins----------Maurine Thomas, Florine Whiting
Barbara Kohler, JoAnn Hawkins

Clarinets---------Elroy Van Wagoner, Lowell Johnson

Saxophones----------Ferrin Van Wagoner, Vern Wilson

Trumpets----------Ralph Johnson, Orson Burgi

Trombone----------Wilburn Huffaker

Drums----------Armon Van Wagoner

Orchestra and Chorus directed by--------Clarence H. Probst

Accompanist----------June Tatton

Properties----------Jay and Kay Walton

Programs----------Verna Berg, Clara Gipin

Mistress of Ceremonies----------Lethe Tatge

First Concert given for 1st Swiss Days (16 in Chorus)

A FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

MIDWAY TOWN HALL

Saturday. September 5, 1953 - 7:00 p. m.

1. "Golden Spur March" ..... Orchestra
2. Song and Dance ..... Calvin and Georgia Huffaker
   "By The Light Of The Silvery Moon"
3. Clarinet Duet ..... Ferrin and ElRoy Van Wagoner
   "Indian Love Call"
4. Vocal Solo ..... Marjoria Provost
   "Beyond The Blue Horizon"
5. Ragtime Dance ..... Fredova Dance Studio
6. Selections from "Show Boat" ..... Orchestra
7. Vocal Duet ..... Roy Huffaker and Clyde Pyper
   "Moonbeams"
8. Trumpet Duet ..... Arnold and Walter Burgener
   "You and I"
9. Ladies' Trio ..... Elizabeth, Eloise and Zelda Kohler
   "Wunderbar"
10. Military Dance ..... Fredova Dance Studio

"The New Liberty March" ..... Orchestra

2. Vocal Duet ..... John and Dixie Whitaker
   "Thine Alone"
13. "A Tribute To Romberg" ..... Orchestra and Chorus

Director: Clarence Probst Accompanist: June Tatton

Mistress of Ceremonies - Mrs. Lethe Tatge

Properties - Fred Haueter

ORCHESTRA

Violins
Mrs. Neff Thomas
Mrs. L. A. Wagstaff
John Cowley
Stanley Best

Flute
Carolyn Seiter

Drums
Ammon Van Wagoner

Clarinets
ElRoy Van Wagoner
Lowell Johnson

Trumpets
Lorin Allred
Orson Burgi

Trombones
Wilburn Huffaker
Darwin McGuire

Saxophones
Ferrin Van Wagoner
Ellis Clyde

Piano
June Tatton

CHORUS

Sopranos
Marjoria Provost
Eloise Kohler
Elizabeth Kohler
Mrs. Russell Price

Altos
Martha Joost
Elda Kohler
Mrs. Paul Van Wagoner
Mrs. Roy Huffaker

Tenors
Roy Huffaker
Nephi Probst
Calvin Huffaker
Alvah Kohler

Basses
Reed Kohler
Berlin Whitaker
Dean Zenger
Clyde Pyper

Boost Midway Harvest Fete

"1952"

Displaying placard advertising Midway Harvest Festival are Wilburn F. Huffaker, left, Earl Hautz, Ruby Provost and Wendell Cluff. The annual event will be held Friday and Saturday.

MIDWAY SETS TWO-DAY CROP CAPER

MIDWAY, Wasatch County (Special)—Final arrangements have been completed for the Midway Harvest Festival scheduled for Friday and Saturday, according to Wendell Cluff, festival chairman.

The event will be sponsored by the Booster Club of Midway.

Activities will include a baseball game, flower show, barbeque, specialty acts, a rodeo and harvest festival dance.

A Festival Of Music

MIDWAY TOWN HALL

Saturday, Sept. 3, 1955 - 7:00 p. m.

Orchestra Selection ..... "Beyond The Blue Horizon"

Invocation ..... Reed Kohler

Chorus & Orchestra ..... "Silver Moon" - Romberg

Soprano Solo ..... "Moonbeams" - Victor Herbert
Joan Van Wagoner

Clarinet Duet ..... "Peperena"
Ferrin & ElRoy Van Wagoner

Dance ..... Trilby Provost

Vocal Duet ..... "One Alone" - Romberg
Clyde Pyper & Roy Huffaker

Solo and Chorus ..... "Poor Butterfly"
Margaret Kohler

Male Chorus ..... "The Winter Song"

Orchestra Selection ..... "Tea For Two"

Chorus & Orchestra ..... "Blossom Time" Selection - Romberg

Vocal Duet ..... "Indian Love Call" - Rudolph Friml
Joan Van Wagoner & Roy Huffaker

Dance ..... Trilby Provost

Male Chorus ..... "The Happy Wanderer"

Orchestra & Chorus ..... "Why Do I Love You" - Jerome Kern

Orchestra & Chorus ..... "The Ramparts We Watch"

Directed by Clarence Probst — Assisted by Lethe Tatge

June Tatton - Accompanist — Properties - Fred Haueter

ORCHESTRA

Violins
Mrs. Neff Thomas
Stanley Best

Drums
Ammon Van Wagoner
Jay Clayburn

Saxaphones
Ferrin Van Wagoner
Ellis Clyde
Karl Probst

Trombones
Wilburn Huffaker
LaMar Osika

Clarinets
ElRoy Van Wagoner
Marilyn Veibell

Trumpets
Lorin Allred
Dick Skillicorn

CHORUS

Sopranos
Joan Van Wagoner
Marion Ashby
Beth Probst
Myrl Rasband
Margaret Kohler
Pearl Edwards

Basses
Clyde Pyper
George Johnson
Max Johnson
Dean Zenger
Dennis Clegg

Tenors
Roy Huffaker
Francis Probst
Nephi Probst
John Joost
Calvin Huffaker
Grant Remund

Altos
Martha Joost
Dorothy Loertscher
Barbara Loertscher
Ione Huffaker
Barbara Christensen
Ardel Pugh

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Midway Swiss Days Royalty

These three charming girls will preside over the many activities of the Midway Swiss Days Celebration. They are: l. to r. — Connie Pope; Barbara Joost, Swiss Miss; and Susan Whitaker.

Festival Of Music To Be Presented Saturday

panist June Tatton, Probst has once again lined up a program of familiar old favorites sung and played by local talent.

The 1955 "Festival of Music" will begin promptly at 7:00 in the Town Hall with an orchestral selection, "Beyond The Blue Horizon", directed by Probst. Orchestra members are Mrs. Neff Thomas, Stanley Best, Lorin Allred, Dick Skillicorn, Wilburn Huffaker, LaMar Osika, Elroy Van Wagoner, Marilyn Veibell, Ferrin Van Wagoner, Ellis Clyde, Karl Probst, Ammon Van Wagoner and Jay Clayburn.

Program Will Be

The rest of the program will be heard as follows: Invocation, Reed Kohler; "Silver Moon" by Sig-

A chorus and orchestra of Wasatch County residents will be featured tomorrow evening in Midway's annual "Festival of Music" directed by Clarence Probst. Assisted by Lethe Tatge and accommund Romberg - chorus and orchestra; Victor Herbert's "Moon- [illegible] by soprano Joan net duet by Ferrin and Elroy Van Wagoner; dance - Trilby Provost; Romberg's "One Alone" - sung by Clyde Pyper and Roy Huffaker; "Poor Butterfly" - Margaret Kohler backed by the chorus; "The Winter Song" - male chorus.

The program will continue with: "Tea For Two", orchestra selection; selections from Romberg's "Blossom Time", chorus and orchestra; "Indian Love Call" by Rudolph Friml, Joan Van Wagoner and Roy Huffaker; dance, Trilby Provost; "The Happy Wanderer", male chorus; Jerome Kern's "Why Do I Love You", orchestra and chorus; and "The Ramparts We Watch", orchestra and chorus.

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Midway Swiss Days Activities Start Today

Two Parades, Rodeo, Swiss Market, Swiss Ball To Highlight Celebration

Something for everyone is what the 1955 Midway Swiss Festival promises, says Vern Wilson who heads the sponsoring Boosters Club. For the small fry there will be carnival rides, games and two colorful parades; for grown-ups a rodeo, flower show, program and dance.

All Midway residents are urged to put on their Swiss costumes today and tomorrow and join in the gay celebration. Other residents of Wasatch County are cordially invited to participate; visitors from all over the state are also expected to attend.

Sparkling Entertainment To Be Keynote

Sparkling entertainment will be the keynote of the festival beginning at 3:30 p. m., today when the traditional parade heads down Midway's Main Street. Another parade at 10:00 a. m., tomorrow will enable many others to see it. Chairwoman Alberta Provost says that it is not too late for any business, organization or individual in the county to enter a float.

Little Leaguers will be featured in a post-eason ball game to be played at 6:00 p. m., this evening in the Midway ball park. Following that, Ira Dern will present a cast of vaudeville entertainers and wrestlers in an 8:00 p. m. program. Famous wrestler Man Mountain Dean will be starred.

Cannonading is scheduled for 5:00 a. m. tomorrow, waking residents of the town to another day of celebrating. Midway's famous band will tour the town at 8:00 a. m., for a breakfast-time serenade. Following the parade at 11:30 a. m. will be a concert by the band, which has been busy rehearsing for the Swiss Days celebration.

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Flower Show In Town Hall

The Midway Garden Club will be in charge of a "Mountain Lore" flower show to be held both days in the council room of the hall. According to general chairman Ruby Provost, the show will open this afternoon at 1:00 p. m., and

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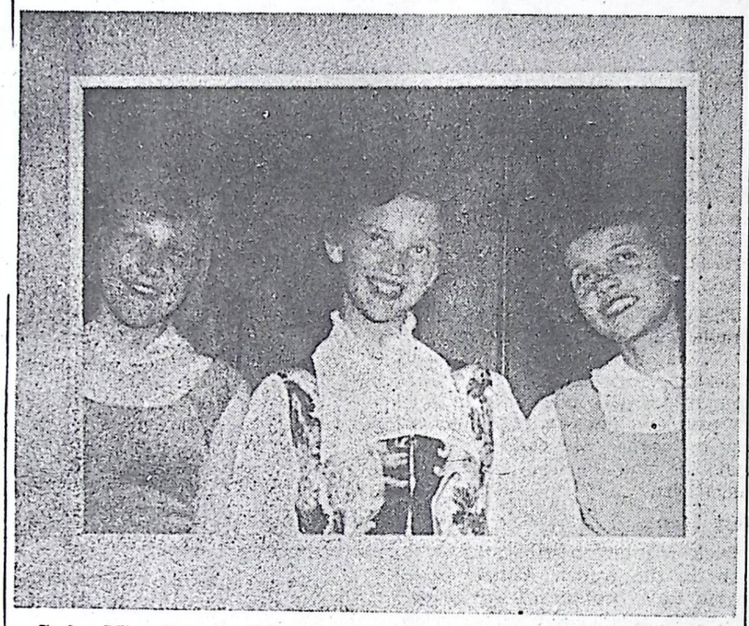

Swiss Miss Georgia Schear, center, and attendants, Launie Hair, of Midway Swiss Days on Friday and Saturday, July 13 and 14. left, and Valerie Jones, right, will preside over the many activities

Parades, Variety Sh
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Flowers, flags and confetti - these will deck Midwa Street tonight as the town swings into its fourth annual S celebration. Invitations have been extended to everyone papers, radio and television and the people of Midway a expected influx of guests amid a last minute flurry of prepar

With the opening of the Swiss market this afternoon at the festival will be officially underway. Mr. and Mrs. Ray co-chairmen of the market, expect over 30 booths—vend handiwork and livestock—to attract browsers and buyers.

The first of two parades will march down Midway's Ma at 6:00 this evening, with a repeat performance to follow a. m. tomorrow.

Variety Show

Also on the agenda for this evening is a variety show which will bring together talent including "Famous" O'Conner, magician; the Marwedell Dancers, a folk dance group; the Booglers, BYU hillbilly trio. Jack Whitaker, the "Moondialer" of radio station KALL, will emcee the show and his wife, the former Dixie Mecham, will team up with him for some extra-special entertainment. The variety show will be followed by a brief session of street dancing in front of the Town Hall.

Exhibits, Swiss market and the flower show will open at 8:00 tomorrow morning, while registration for the William Tell Archery Tournament will take place at the town square at that time. Preliminaries in the William Tell contest will begin at 9:00 and following the parade will be a noon concert by the Midway Town Band under Karl Probst.

Folk Dancing

Children's folk dancing will be held at 1:00 p. m. and the thrilling finals in the archery contest will begin at 2:00. After the tournament, children and adults are invited to take part in family games planned on the town square.

Another fine Festival of Music directed by Clarence Probst and featuring local talent will be presented at 7:15 p. m., instead of 7:45 as announced in the booklet. The musical wil be followed by a carnival dance at which the 1957 Swiss Miss and attendants will be introduced. Trophies will also be presented to winners of the William Tell Tournament.

$75 Door Prize

A $75 door prize will be given away at the dance to a lucky ticket holder. In addition, all couples who wear costumes will be eligible for a $25 prize for the best costume combination.

Bob Welch, president of the Midway Boosters Club and general chairman of Swiss Days, invites everyone to attend the celebration and enjoy the varied ac-

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

Memo to: Mr. Dell Wallangren

In the interest of a greater Intermountain Area, we are pleased to co-operate in the presentation of business and community building facts. In this connection you will undoubtedly be interested in the attached news article which appeared in the Salt Lake Tribune **on** July 6, , 19 56

Ruby Boss, left, and Maeda Gertsch examine Swiss clothing which will be sold at Swiss Market in Midway's celebration.

Midway Festival to Stress Swiss Day Market Center

Special to The Tribune

MIDWAY, Wasatch County—A special feature during Midway's Swiss Days, July 13-14, will be a "Swiss Market" with booths displaying all types of Swiss merchandise.

On sale will be sausage, Swiss cheese, Swiss bread and pastry, hand carved items, aprons, leather work, Swiss music boxes, clothing, rugs, jams and jellies and carnival games.

The celebration will open July 13 at 4:30 p.m., and a parade will march through town at 6 p.m. A variety show will begin at 7:45 p.m.

A second parade will be conducted July 14 at 10 a.m. At 7:45 p.m. The Swiss Miss of 1957 will be selected.

Afternoon events will consist of a band concert, children's folk dancing, a William Tell archery tournament, family games and a festival of music.

A dance will be held at 9:30 p.m. at the Midway Town Hall.

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1958

Sixth Annual

Swiss Days

September 5-6, 1958

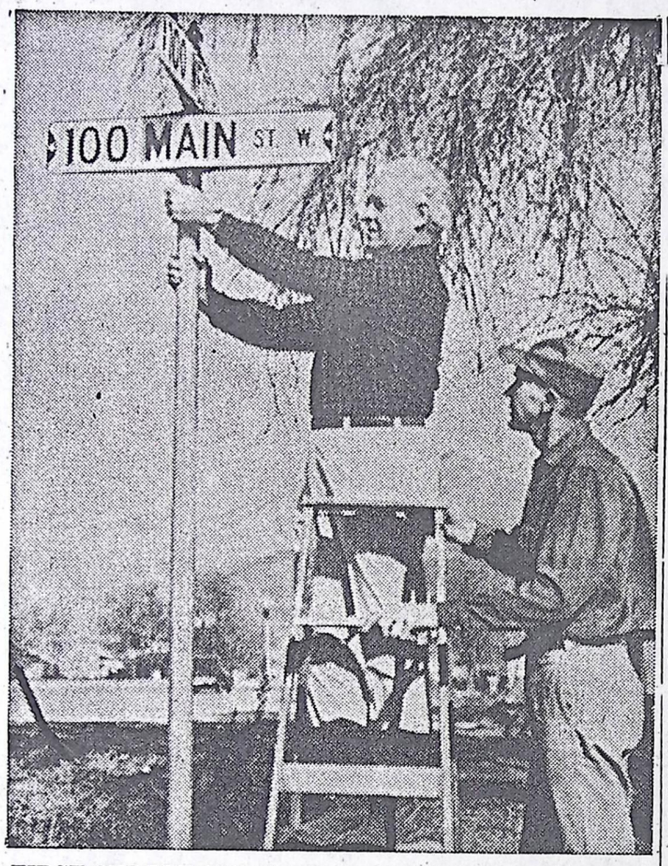
Midway, Utah

SWISS MISS AND ATTENDANTS

Wendy Whitaker — Swiss Miss, Bonnie Gertsch — Valerie Jones

Queen and Attendants
for 1960
Edna Kohler.

Linda Bonner
Jeannie Pope



FIRST STREET SIGNS—Ferrin Whitaker, president of the board of directors of the Midway Boosters Club tightens bolts on new street signs placed by the organization. Ray Gertsch project chairman holds ladder.

Midway Gets First Street Signs, Courtesy Civic Club

MIDWAY, Wasatch County — After more than 100 years of settlement, the little farming community of Midway is getting modernized street markings as the result of efforts of the Midway Boosters Club. Under their sponsorship, a project has been completed that names all streets in the town limits. Twenty-nine signs have been placed on steel posts by donated labor. This is the first time Midway streets have ever been named.

Streets are designated as to North, South, East, and West with the exception of the "River Road" and "Homestead Drive". The street running east and west past the Town Hall is Main Street with Center Street running north and south past Bill's Service Station and the Alpine Cafe.

Cost of the projebt was $475 for materials. Steel pipes were purchased and then cut and cemented into place.

Ray Gertsch is project chairman, assisted by Earl Kohler. Both are members of the Booster Club Board of Directors. Other members of the board are President Ferrin Whitaker, Leland Ivers, Pete Coleman and Mrs. Cliford Provost.

Before officially turning over responsibilities of continuing the project to the town, the Boosters will send out a card to all homeowners in the town informing them of the number of their home. Homeowners will be responsible for putting their number on their own homes.

Thursday. February 9, 1961

THE WASATCH WAVE

Midway Boosters Open Drive for New Members

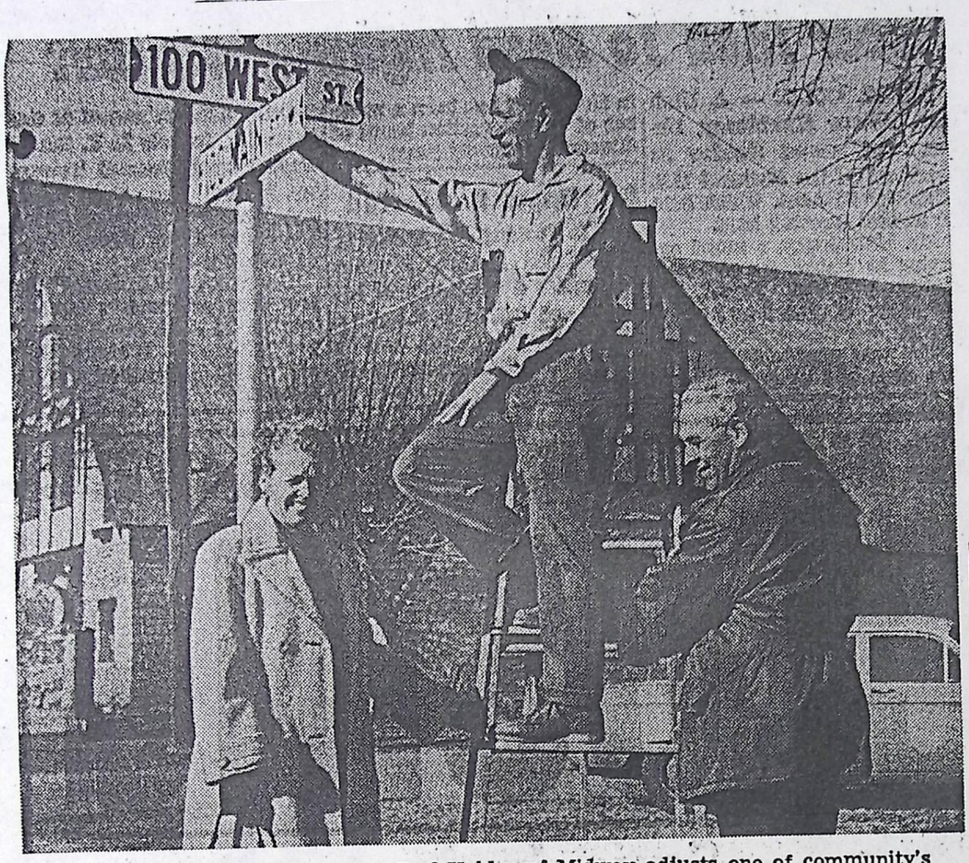
The annual membership drive sponsored by the Midway Boosters Club is now underway, says Mrs. Merle Madsen, chairman, with committee workers staging a house-to-house canvass in an effort to line up members for the organization.

A membership fee of $1.00 per person helps the club pay for its annual outdoor spring barbecue, staged for members only, and for the town-wide gala Halloween party.

In addition, funds raised help support the annual clean-up drive held in the spring, and the town's Swiss Days celebration. A recently completed Boosters Club project was naming of all the streets in town and numbering of houses. Residents' addresses will appear in the 1961 telephone directory.

A special project for the coming year is yet to be selected by the Boosters but will be designed to improve the community in some way. The Boosters Club works in close cooperation with the town board and the Midway Garden Club.

Working directly under Mrs. Madsen on the membership drive are Mrs. RosaLee Ivers, Midway First Ward, and Mrs. Ruby Provost and Mrs. Lois Pope, Second Ward. Workers in both wards are seeing that every resident of the community is given an opportunity to join the organization.



NEW MIDWAY SIGNS—Mayor Earl Kohler of Midway adjusts one of community's new street signs under watchful supervision of Mrs. Alberta Provost and Ferron Whitaker. Signs are expected to give urban atmosphere to town.

Street Signs Installed By Midway

MIDWAY, Wasatch County —Midway is installing signs on its streets and numbers on its houses as one of the first modernization steps taken in anticipation of growth due to the Wasatch Mountain Park.

Ray Gerstch, chairman of the Midway Booster Club, said the signs are the club's civic improvement project of the year. Mr. Gerstch is serving as chairman of the project assisted by Mayor Earl Kohler.

Streets were divided from Main Street of Midway running east and west and a newly named Center Street running north and south. The latter is a part of the highway leading to Charleston.

Cost of the project so far has been $475. Outlying streets have not as yet been named. The initial phase of the work is expected to be completed soon said Mr. Gerstch. He also expresses appreciation for all volunteer labor which kept costs down.

Signs were planned by the committee and contracted to a Salt Lake firm. They are made of sheet steel. Pipes are anchored in concrete blocks.

Numbers of houses are being mailed to residents on cards that will also invite them to participate in the election of the club's officers for the coming year.

Residents will purchase and put on their own house numbers.

MIDWAY HOUSE NUMBERS

111 Adams Iva 312 W 1n N

473 Alder Burton 473E Main St.

260 Alder Clyde 260 E. Main St.

120 220
224 Alder Clyde Apts. 224 E. Main

204 Alder Mrs Ida, 204 E 1 N.

106 Alder Mrs William 106 E.1 N.

8 Alpine Club 8 E. Main

201 AL's Sinclair Ser. 201 E. Main.

510 Atwood Eugene 510 N. Homestead Dr.

54 Berg Verna 54 N. 250 N.

59 Bessendorfer Nellie 59E. 1 N.

46 Bezzant Reed 46 N. 1 E.

20 Bigler Roy 20 E. Main

Bigler, Virgina 845 W 7 N.

4 Bill's Service 4 W.Main St.

505 Blood Bert 505 W.2 N.

154 Blood Mill 154N 2 W.

306 Bollsch weiler Henry 306 W.Main.

125 Bonner Bertell 125 E Main St.

110 Bonner Floyd 110 E. Main St.

103 Bonner Glade 103 E. Main St.

90 Bonner June 90 E. Main St.

102 Boss Conrad 102 W. 1st N.

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Boss Margaret Prop 450 W. 2nd N.

296 Boren Leo 296 E. 2st N.

304 Bowden Irvin 304 E. Main

562 Broadhead Elmer Prop. 562 E.Main

7 Bronson CoalYard 7 W. 1 So.

80 Bronson Clark 80 W 1 So.

22 Bronson Keith 22 W. 1 So.

322 Bronson Lazelle 322 E. Main

808 Buehler Jack 808 N. River Road

606 Buhler Morris 606 N. River Road

15 Buhler Mrs. Florence 15 N. 4 W.

106 Burgener Prop. 106 N.3 W.

208 Burgener Alma & Joe 208 W.1 S.

192 Burgener Minnie 192 W. 1 N.

96 Burgener Jay 96 N. 1 W.

70 Burgener Naomi 70 W.Main St.

168 Burgener Ted 168 W. 1 N.

123 Burgi Orson 123 E. 1 N.

1001 Burgi Sam 1001 N. River Road

107 Caselton Elizabeth 107 W.1 S.

397 Casper, Orpha 397 E 1 N.

94 Carlile Anna Liza 94 W.250 N.

23 Chatwin Clifton 23 W. 1st S.

206 Christinson Doyle 206 W. Main

502 Clayburn 502 5th W.

363 Clark Fred 363 E. Main St.

125 Clogg Dennis 125 River Road

151 Coleman Guy 151 W. Main St.

331 Coleman Guy Prop. 331 E. Main St.

247 Coleman Pete 247 W. Main St.

10 Coleman' sStore 10 W. Main St.

9 Craig Calvin 9 W. Main St

24 Dairy Queen 24 E Main St.

167 Davis Ace 167 E 1 N .

470 Davis Glade 470 E. Main St.

149 Davis Rex 149 E. 1 N.

296 Daybell Garage 296 S Center

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504 Dean Nolan 504 S Center

38 Derry Jack 38 N. L W.

47 Draper Richard 47 S. 2 W.

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909 Gertsch Jerry 909 N Homestead Dr.

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310 Gertsch Ray 310 W. 2 N.

333 Gertsch Reed 333 N Pine Can.

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85 Gibson William E.85 N River Rd

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42 Huffaker Alice 42 W. Main
64 Huffaker Wilburn 64 S 1W.
92 Huntington George Prop. 92 W. Main
63 Inis Standley 63 S. Main
62 Ivers Leland Jr. 62 N. 1 E.
99 Ivers Mercantile 99E. Main
86 Jones Joseph 86 W 1 S.
27 Johnson Charles 27 E. 1 N.
251 Johnson George 251 N River Rd.
51 Johnson Lowell 51 S. 1st West
265 Johnson Max 265 N. River ROAD

145 Kelly Austin 145 W. 1st S.
511 Kelly Austin Sr. 511 S. 2nd W
596 Kelly Gladys 596 S. Center St.
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18 Kinsey Pearl 18 N. 4th W.
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291 Loertscher Roy 291 E. 1st N.
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528 Luke Lamont 528 E. Main St.
40 Luke Leo 40 E. 1st N.
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244 Luke Otto 244 E. 1st N.
109 Luke Ray 109 E. 7th N.
384 Luke Mrs Wallace 384 E. 1st N.

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150 Probst Clarence Sr.150 E. Main

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202 Probst David 202 W .1 N.

394 Probst Eugene 394 W .1N.

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197 Sonderegger Grace 197 N 2 W.

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57 Springer Jerry 57 N. 2 W.

500 Sorsonson Ralph 500 S. Stringtown Road

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68 Stewart Albert 68 E Main

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780 Sulser Earl 780 W. 2 N.

43 Sulser Floyd 43 E. Main

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Midway Club Plans Civic Improvements

MIDWAY, Wasatch County—Major projects for the year were outlined by the Midway Boosters Club at a recent planning meeting of newly-elected officers.

Heading the list will be the completion of naming and numbering of Midway streets and installing street signs. This will be completed as soon as weather conditions permit. In charge is Ray Gertsch and Earl Kohler.

A musical entertainment from Brigham Young University will be presented during April under chairmanship of Ferrin Whitaker.

Tentative dates for the annual clean-up campaign have been set for April 20-May 7. This project is headed by Pete Coleman.

The club is making plans for a new feature, an out-door barbeque to be held in May, directed by Earl Kohler. The annual Swiss Day celebration has been set for Aug. 26, 27, directed by Leland Ivers. Albert Provost and Ferrin Whitaker are in charge of the annual Halloween festival.

Climaxing the year's activities will be a holiday dinner for all members of the organization, between Christmas and New Years.

Directors in charge of club activities are: Ferrin Whitaker, chairman; Ray Gertsch, Leland Ivers, two-year directors. Earl Kohler, Pete Coleman and Alberta Provost, one-year holdovers.

Out-going officers are Reed Kohler, Nephi Probst, and Clyde Alder.

TODAY'S VALENTINE

A collective Valentine today to a group of civic-minded community leaders who recently completed a worthwhile project.

They are members of the Midway, Utah, Boosters Club — and they finally erected some street signs in their town.

Midway has been in existence for over 100 years, but there's never been any street signs in town. In fact, some of the streets have never been named.

BUT FERRIN Whitaker, president of the Boosters, and his colleagues recently erected some 30 street signs—all on steel posts—at various Midway street intersections. Ray Gertsch was project chairman.

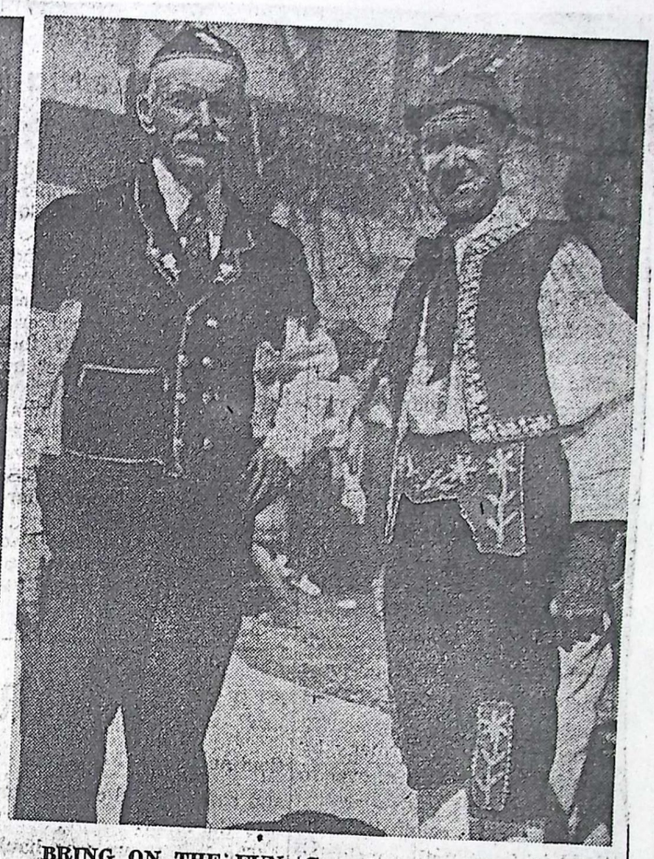
The project was on a volunteer basis, and club members did the work in their spare hours. . . .

A fine project, and another proof that it takes a live group to get things done . . . and a Valentine to all concerned.

SAM, THE SAD CYNIC, SAYS:

A professional crook is a fellow who takes things seriously!

SWISS DAYS—Mr. and Mrs. William Tuotte of the sponsoring Midway Booster Club don Swiss costumes to check flower plots in bloom for annual Swiss Days Friday and Saturday.



BRING ON THE FUN—Conrad Gertsch, left, Midway's oldest male citizen, and Joe Huber dig into family trunks to find "old country" costumes to wear during Swiss Days celebration.

Yodelers, Market Dated For Midway Swiss Days

By Mary Peterson
Deseret News Correspondent

MIDWAY, Wasatch County — "I Miss My Swiss" will be echoing through Wasatch County as Midway Swiss Days are "yodelled in" Friday and Saturday. Festivities begin Friday at 3 p.m. with the opening of the Swiss market and the flower show, said Ray Gertsch, president of the Midway Booster Club.

Swiss banners waving on the Town Hall will designate family clans of the village. Flowers will decorate homes, streets and community buildings.

An open Swiss market will feature special Swiss bread, sausage, "braselies" (a cookie made with an iron set over the open flame of a coal stove) and traditional varieties of Swiss cheese.

A parade with the Swiss theme is scheduled at 5:30 p.m. Friday. At 7:30 p.m. the "Festival of Music" under the direction of Clarence Probst will be held in the Town Hall. The crowning of Swiss Miss, Elaine Toone with her attendants, Yvonne and Ann Lifferth, is scheduled at this time.

Chuck Wagon Breakfast

The Saturday program will be "ushered in" with a flag ceremony and a chuck wagon breakfast on the festival grounds at 6 a.m. A martial band will tour the community at 6:30 a.m. At 10 a.m. the parade will be repeated.

The Swiss Market, with specialty foods and handwork, will open at 11 a.m. At 12 noon an accordion program will be held in the Town Hall.

Folk dancing in the Town Square with gaily costumed children will begin at 1 p.m. A sports program and children's races will start at 2 p.m.

Little League Game

At 4:30 p.m. a repeat performance of the Festival of Music will be held.

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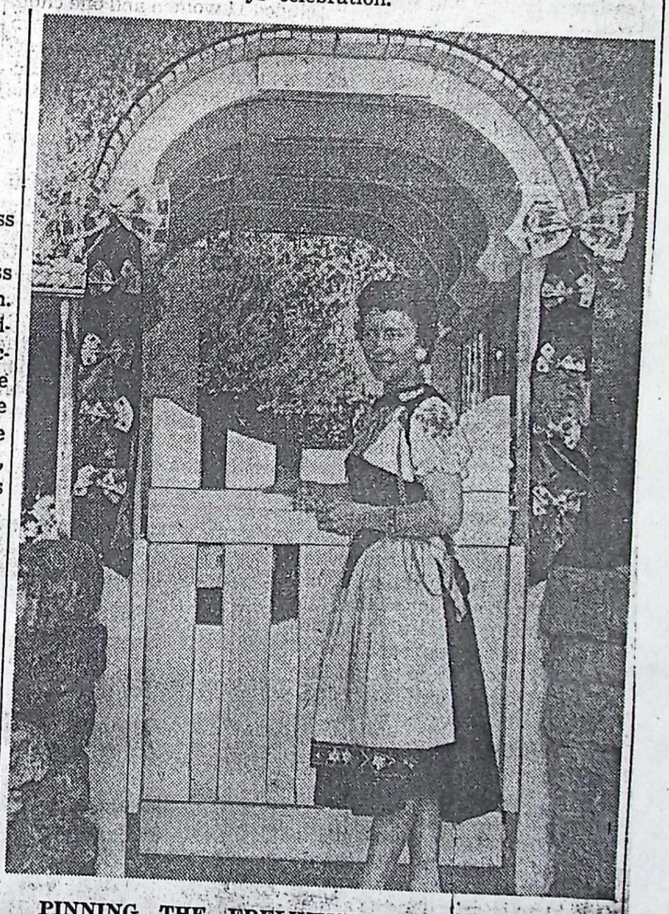

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Midway Operetta Cast "On Stage"

Members of the cast of "Midway to Heaven" perform roles of the popular operetta which was composed by Midway resident.

"Midway to Heaven" to Have Two Performances

"Just east of Heaven and west of Heber City", according to song, lies Midway where tomorrow night audiences will enjoy a unique musical experience as the curtain rises on "Midway to Heaven."

A three-act musical, "Midway to Heaven" tells the story of the settlement of Midway and how it affects the lives - today - of a young American, a pretty Swiss miss and her old uncle.

The musical was written, directed and staged entirely by Wasatch County talent. Its stars are local singers and actors; the chorus and orchestra are all residents of this area. Even props and scenery are the results of local effort.

"Midway to Heaven" is largely the creation of Jack Kuhni, a graduate of the school of music at the BYU who, despite handicaps of a physical nature, set down every note of music for the operetta over a five-year period. The script was plotted and lyrics for the music written by Orma Wallengren.

The musical was first presented in January of this year to audiences which packed the Midway Town Hall to hear it. Since that time the Town Hall has been evaluated for better sound by an acoustical engineer and some major changes made to correct the buildings acoustics.

Cast and chorus have been in rehearsal for the current presentation since early last month under the supervision of Lethe Tatge, director, and Clarence Probst, conductor. A complete list of the cast, chorus and orchestra is printed on the back page of this edition of the Wave.

New scenery for the production has been painted by Ferrin Whitaker, local artist, who also plays a leading role. Whitaker's scenes depicting the village square of Mittelberg, a small town high in the Swiss Alps, the Upped Settlement in Heber Valley and Fort Midway are responsible for much of the production's color.

Kuhni has had four of the show's songs printed by music publishers in Provo and these will be available at the performance.

All residents of Wasatch County are invited to see the current production of "Midway to Heaven".

The Midway Boosters Club sponsored this important civic event.

Midway Dedicates New Post Office Unit

MIDWAY, Wasatch County — Midway mail goes modern now, as postal service takes a bow, with shiny brass and blated glass and heat and cold at last controlled.

Midway's new post office was to be dedicated here Saturday afternoon in the Midway Town Hall with a program open to everyone, said Juanita Zenger, postmaster.

The post office has been moved to the east section of the Town Hall furnishing three times the space the former location provided. The new section has been recently remodeled and decorated with all new equipment and mail boxes, said Mrs. Zenger.

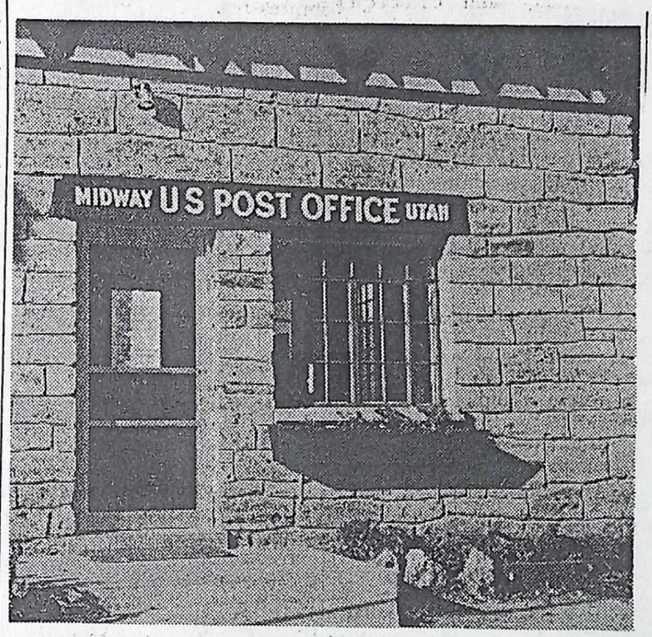
The ceremony was to include a welcoming address by Mayor Earl Kohler and remarks by D. R. Trevethick, postmaster of Salt Lake City and national officer. A congressman was to present a flag previously flown from the nation's capitol to be used by the post office.

Featured speaker was to be Frank Duncan, field service officer of the Postal Department with headquarters in Denver.

A flag-raising ceremony was to be presented by local Boy Scouts with "The Star Spangled Banner" sung by Marva Farrell and closing remarks by Mrs. Zenger.

Senator Frank Moss had expressed hope he could be present if other commitments can be changed, reports Mrs. Zenger.

Refreshments will be served.



POST OFFICE DEDICATED—This new post office, located in the town hall at Midway, Wasatch County, was to be dedicated Saturday afternoon. Three times more space is offered in new facility.

viss Days' Begin day at Midway

Special to The Tribune

WAY, Wasatch County—Two "Swiss Miss" pa- flower show and a festival of music will mark ual "Swiss Days" celebration here Friday and .

ESTIVAL OF MUSIC is planned both days at , under the direction of Clarence Probst. yay children will take part in folk dancing Satur- p.m. Climaxing the event will be a dance Satur- t at the town hall.

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Elaine Toone, center, "Swiss Miss" of Midway, and attendants, Ann Liffereth, left, and Yvonne Liffereth, will reign over the community's annual "Swiss Days" festival.

Annual Swiss Days

Midway's Festivities Boom In Full Swing

MIDWAY, Wasatch County —Midway's Swiss Days celebration boomed into its second day Saturday as the town was awakened with the traditional charge of dynamite.

A full day of entertainment included a martial band concert, parade, Swiss market, and a dance, said Ray Gertsch, president of the Midway Boosters Club.

The second parade of Swiss Days included floats and one depicting Swiss mountain climbers and a bell-shaped float featuring Swiss belles.

Two former state Mothers of the Year, Mrs. Grace Sonderreggor and Mrs. Albert Kohler, were also on a float.

A comic marching group included a "burgomaster" with his mice (costumed children) around him.

The best of all music program was scheduled at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall.

About 700 persons were present for Friday night's performance, Mr. Gertsch said.

Both male and female voices form the chorus which performs in the program.

Festivities will be climaxed by a dance.

Midway Booster Club Honors 'Will' Haueter

By MARY PETERSON
Deseret News Correspondent

MIDWAY, Wasatch County William Haueter, former president of the Town Board and instigator of local projects for many years, was honored by about 250 Booster Club members and guests here Wednesday night.

He was feted in the Midway Town Hall, a structure built under Mr. Haueter's administration in 1939.

In paying tribute to Mr. Haueter's long service, Mrs. Letha Tatge said, "Will is a modest unassuming person, who has done much for our town in building things of lasting worth."

Began Service

Mr. Haueter began his civic service as a counselman in 1932 with a fight that he fought hard and won, for municipal power and light program, said Mrs. Tatge.

"New sidewalks were built in the community in 1938 under his direction as president of the town board, she said.

Mr. Haueter, a mine foreman for United Park City Mines until his retirement last year, was born in Midway. He and his wife, Pearl Bronson Haueter, are the parents of four children, Mrs. LaNeva Averett, Ray, Lee R. and Dean Haueter.

List Accomplishments

After the banquet Booster Club President Ray Gertsch for the past year. They included sponsoring of the spring cleanup in the town, completion of new street signs and numbering of houses, sponsorship of the annual Swiss Days and planning the National Guard banquet with other county organizations.

New directors elected at the banquet were Grant Shelton, Lincoln Pugh, Kay Probst and Roy Kohler. Hold-over officers are William Tuotte and Mrs. Merle Madsen.

Boosters Club to See Film Next Wednesday

All residents of Midway are invited to see a film, "Our Mr. Sun", next Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the council room of the Midway Town Hall.

Sponsored by the Midway Boosters Club, the film will be shown free of charge to anyone who wishes to attend. Following the movie a brief business meeting will be held. Boosters are invited to bring suggestions for the annual town project, or for general town improvement.

The annual membership drive is still being conducted throughout the town. Residents of Midway are urged to contact one of the officers of the Boosters Club if they have not been contacted about joining the organization.

Letters outlining the Boosters Club calendar of events for the coming year are being sent out to residents, Mrs. Alberta Provost, secretary, told the Wasatch Wave this week.

Midway Readies Plans For Annual Event

MIDWAY, Wasatch County —Plans for Midway's annual "Swiss Days" on Sept. 1 and 2 are "under way." A community meeting by the Midway Booster Club will be held Aug. 16 to discuss the program and hear committee reports, said Ray Bertsch, president.

Officers of the club serving as committee chairmen are Lee Ivers, advertising; William Haueter, sports; Mrs. Merle Madsen, concessions; Ferron Whitaker, parade and displays; Mr. and Mrs. William Tuotte, Swiss markets and Alberta Provost, flower show and costuming.

The two-day festivities will begin on Friday afternoon. A parade in keeping with the Swiss theme will be held each day. Swiss open markets will feature specialty foods and handwork. A musical program with featured dancers will be presented both evenings under the direction of Clarence Probst.

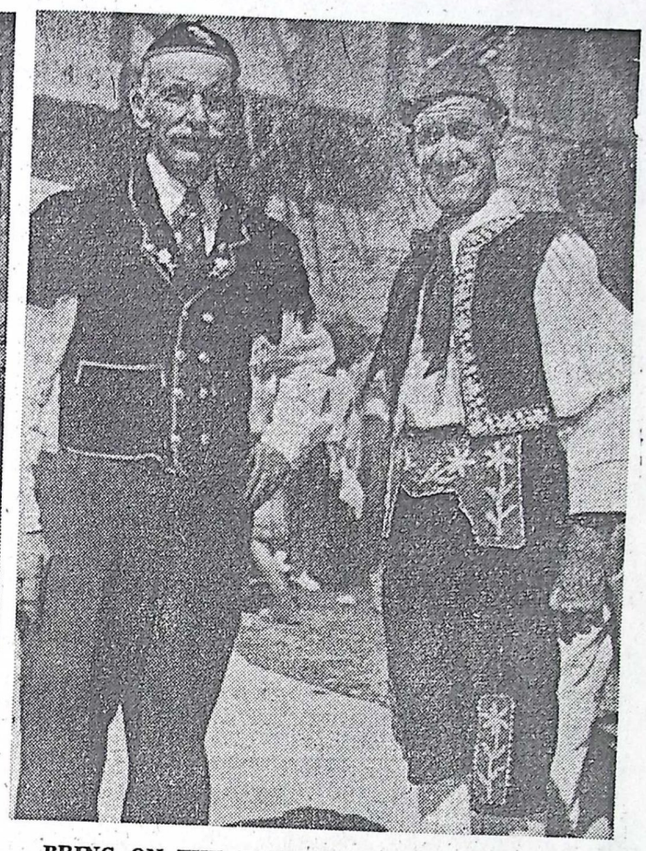
"A lively sports program is planned each afternoon," said Alberta Provost, secretary.

Saturday's activities will be ushered in by a marshal band to be followed by a chuck wagon breakfast. A flower show will be under the direction of the Midway Garden Club.

Members of the community will be dressed in Swiss costumes.

A dance will climax the celebration with a $100 door prize. Person with winning number

SWISS DAYS—Mr. and Mrs. William Tuotte of the sponsoring Midway Booster Club don Swiss costumes to check flower plots in bloom for annual Swiss Days Friday and Saturday.



BRING ON THE FUN—Conrad Gertsch, left, Midway's oldest male citizen, and Joe Huber dig into family trunks to find "old country" costumes to wear during Swiss Days celebration.

Yodelers, Market Dated For Midway Swiss Days

By Mary Peterson
Deseret News Correspondent

MIDWAY, Wasatch County — "I Miss My Swiss" will be echoing through Wasatch County as Midway Swiss Days are "yodelled in" Friday and Saturday. Festivities begin Friday at 3 p.m. with the opening of the Swiss market and the flower show, said Ray Gertsch, president of the Midway Booster Club.

Swiss banners waving on the Town Hall will designate family clans of the village. Flowers will decorate homes, streets and community buildings.

An open Swiss market will feature special Swiss bread, sausage, "braselies" (a cookie made with an iron set over the open flame of a coal stove) and traditional varieties of Swiss cheese.

A parade with the Swiss theme is scheduled at 5:30 p.m. Friday. At 7:30 p.m. the "Festival of Music" under the direction of Clarence Probst will be held in the Town Hall. The crowning of Swiss Miss, Elaine Toone with her attendants, Yvonne and Ann Lifferth, is scheduled at this time.

Chuck Wagon Breakfast

The Saturday program will be "ushered in" with a flag ceremony and a chuck wagon breakfast on the festival grounds at 6 a.m. A martial band will tour the community at 6:30 a.m. At 10 a.m. the parade will be repeated.

The Swiss Market, with specialty foods and handwork, will open at 11 a.m. At 12 noon an accordion program will be held in the Town Hall.

Folk dancing in the Town Square with gaily costumed children will begin at 1 p.m. A sports program and children's races will start at 2 p.m.

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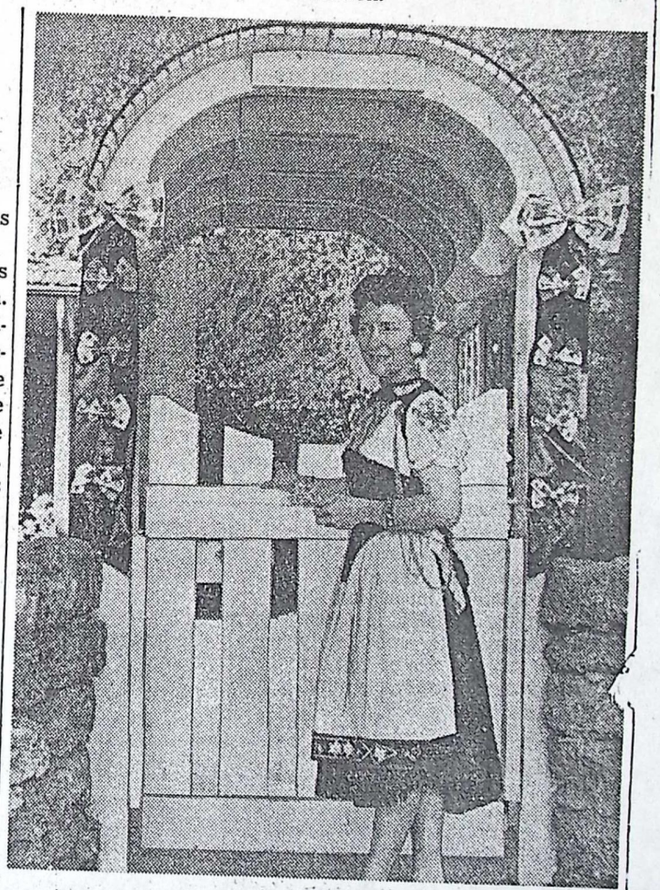

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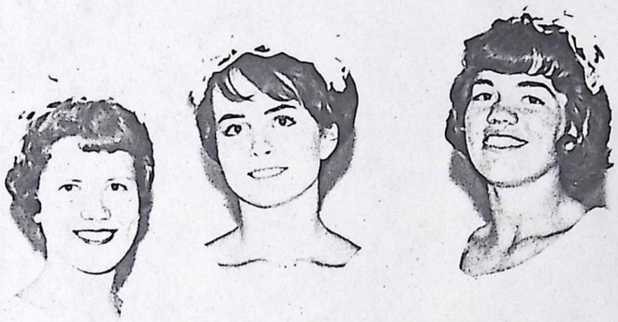
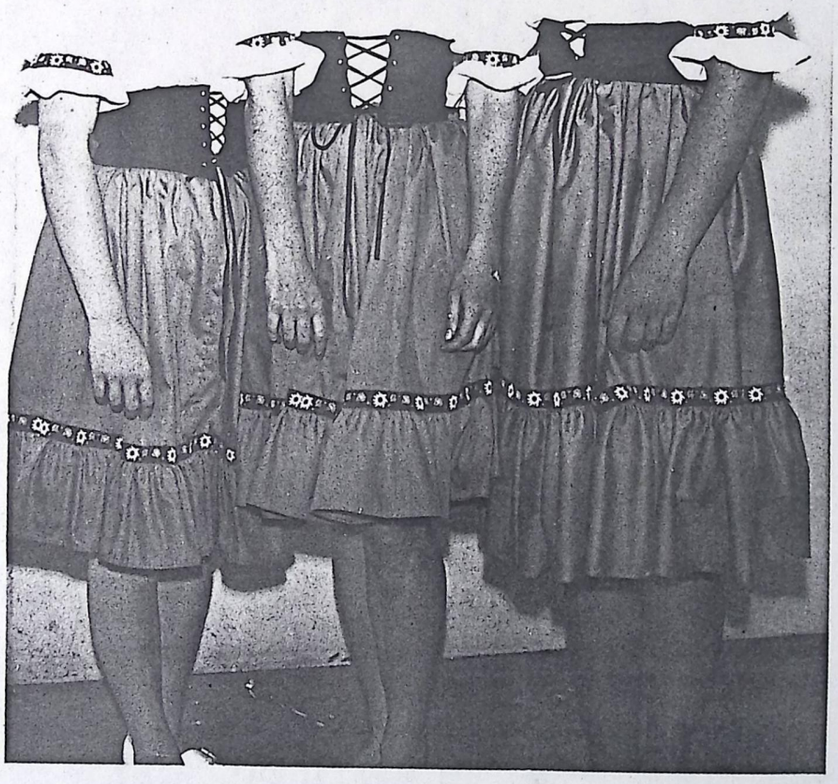




Swiss Days Coming

In Utah's Own Alps

by Shirley Chatwin

THE ONLY celebration of its kind in Utah, Midway's annual Swiss Days Celebration, to be held Aug. 31 and Sept. 1, has been responsible for drawing attention to the town and attracting outside people.

Geographically surrounded by mountains, Midway is nestled at the base of massive Mt. Timpanogos and has for many years attracted a large number of immigrants from Switzerland.

INSTEAD OF just sponsoring a yearly celebration, the Midway Boosters Club wanted something special. Something that would attract people from neighboring towns and all over the west. Seven years ago they decided on a Swiss Days celebration, complete with townspeople donning authentic Swiss costumes and participating in Swiss activities and competition.

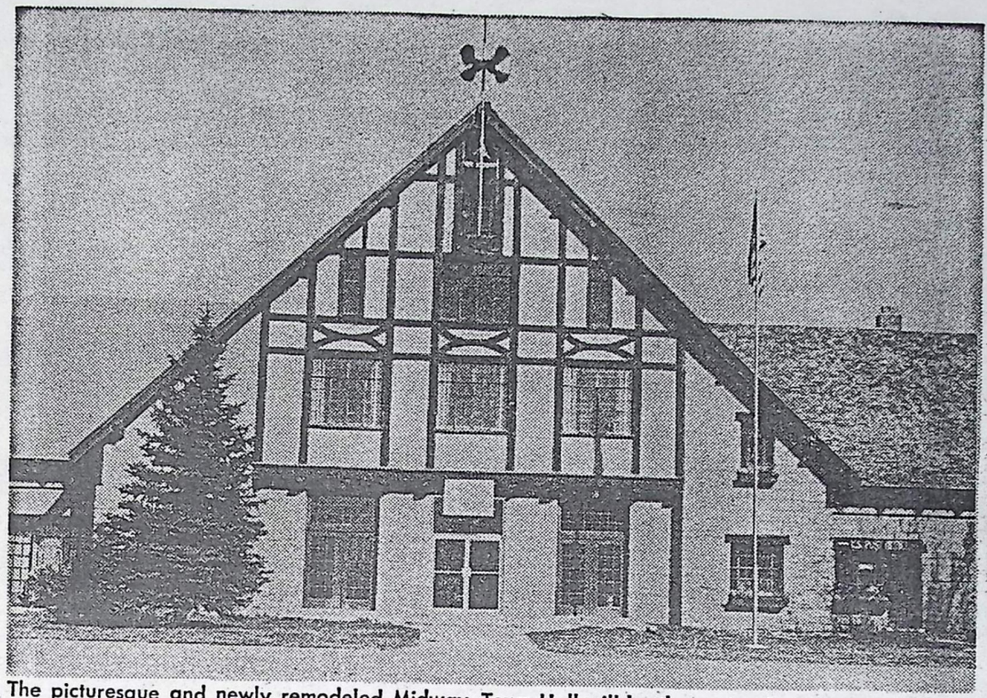
One of the highlights of the celebration is the Swiss Market. Here all kinds of Swiss foods are sold and enjoyed. Other events during the celebration include a parade, musical program, dance, carnival, flower show and sports activities.

Each year a Swiss Miss and two attendants are chosen to reign over the festivities. This year's Swiss Miss is Sally Fugate and her attendents are Sherrie Wilson and Christine Mitchell.

MIDWAY HAS A population of only 800. It has no industrial plants or enterprises to bring in additional revenue or supply additional employment. But, by working with what they have, farm land and hot springs resorts plus a picturesque setting, the people of Midway are well on their way to receiving national recognition and cashing in on one of the greatest industries of modern times, tourism.

Discovering Utah on TV

For more information about Midway's Swiss Days Celebration see "Discover Utah," Saturday noon on Channel 2, a special program sponsored by The Salt Lake Tribune in cooperation with KUTV.



The picturesque and newly remodeled Midway Town Hall will be the setting for many of the events to be featured in Midway's seventh annual Swiss Days Celebration to be held Aug. 31 and Sept. 1.

—Midway—

The Midway Boosters Club will hold their annual Halloween Party at 7:30 to 9:00 p. m. in the Midway Town Hall. Games, prizes, spook alley and other fun games have been planned along with refreshments. The party will be costume affair and everyone is asked to plan to attend.

—Midway—

Midway's "Man of the Year"

Greatness, value, worth, esteem are virtues not always associated with modesty, humility, reticence, and retirement. However, the value of a citizen, like the beauty of the violet, may be found imbedded in the character of one who chooses to stay in the background.

Midway has such a person - one who is modest to the point of being shy, but one who is so valuable to the community that he has made himself almost indispensible.

We, the people, call him day and night, we ask unreasonable things of him, we expect the impossible of him. Many another person in the same position would long since have told us to keep still and would have pushed us aside. Not this honored individual, he simply smiles when harried and pressured and calmly stays, "I'll do what I can", and he does just that, what he can, and he always does something.

He is expected to be everywhere and anywhere at any hour of the day and night. I know for I have called for his help at dawn and at dusk, and the help always came.

This splendid citizen was born of goodly parents here in Midway. He has lived here all of his life.

We who know him intimately, know that he loves everything and everybody in our town. He is a friend to every single one of us. There isn't a person here tonight who hasn't been aided and encouraged by this particular individual. He has rejoiced in our successes and progress, he has stood by us in sorrow, he has laughed with us, suffered with us, he has been down with us and reached up with us.

His devotion to his mother is an inspiration to all of us. His care, patience with those less fortunate than we, is good for our souls. His understanding and intelligent tolerance of the wayward should teach us all something about helping the delinquent.

This man is a Christian, he is a friend, a helper, a strength to every one of us who live here. He is a devoted husband and father, a true disciple of the Master who said, "Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself."

It is with pride and emotion that I present our especially honored and beloved citizen for the year - Leo Luke.

Leo Luke, Midway's Town Marshal, received this recognition at the annual banquet of the Midway Booster Club held Wednesday in the Town Hall. Tribute was given by Mrs. Lethe Tatge.

Name of the honored citizen was not revealed until the night of the event. When announced there was a standing ovation as the townspeople gave their unanimous approval.

Leo not only serves as Marshal, but is in charge of the cemetery, waterworks, town hall and grounds and various other jobs.

Born and reared in Midway, he is a son of Mrs. Cordelia Luke and the late Frank Luke. He is married to the former Stella Hair. They have three daughters, Joan, Mary Jane and Kathleen.

In other Booster business they conducted the election of three two-year directors. They were Arlo Fillmore, Ralph Fugate, and Mrs. David Probst. Holdover directors are Lincoln Pugh, Roy Kohler, Grant Shelton, and Kay Probst. The Board of Directors will meet and from the group select a president and two vice presidents. A secretary will be appointed. Mrs. Clifford Provost has served as secretary for several years.

Out-going officers are: Merle Madsen and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Tuotte.

1963 Events

1963 Swiss Misses Reign Over Celebration

SWISS MISS OF 1963— Lovely Judy Zenger, center, holds the title of "Swiss Miss" this year. Her attendants are: Doreen Pugh, left, and Jeanne Pope, right. A new Swiss Miss will be chosen at 1963 celebration in a contest to be held Aug. 30 at 1:30 p. m.

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Midway Residents F

Carma Fillmore - Correspondent
Phone 945-J

Our town is taking on a festive atmosphere in preparation for the Swiss Days celebration this Friday and Saturday. Included in the festivities will be the annual concert, parade and Swiss Market, in addition to many other events. The parade committee urges families, especially, to participate in the parade and announces that prizes will be given for the bicycle with the most attractive decorations and also the best looking horse. The flower show will again add beauty to the displays in the town hall and citizens are urged to decorate their homes according to Swiss tradition. It is also hoped that all the townspeople will wear Swiss attire during the two day celebration.

Midway Boosters to Have Rodeo on July 4

The Midway Boosters Club is sponsoring a "Junior Rodeo" to be held July 4, 1963 at 3:00 p. m. at the Mountain Spaa. The contest is open to both boys and girls—up to and including high school age. There will be prizes awarded for the best calf roping, riding, and recreation events. The Rodeo is free to the public and everyone is invited to attend.

If you are interested in entering the rodeo, please contact Roy Kohler, Grant Shelton, Ralph Fugate or any member of the Booster Presidency.

Plans Underway for Midway Swiss Days Festivities

7/18/63

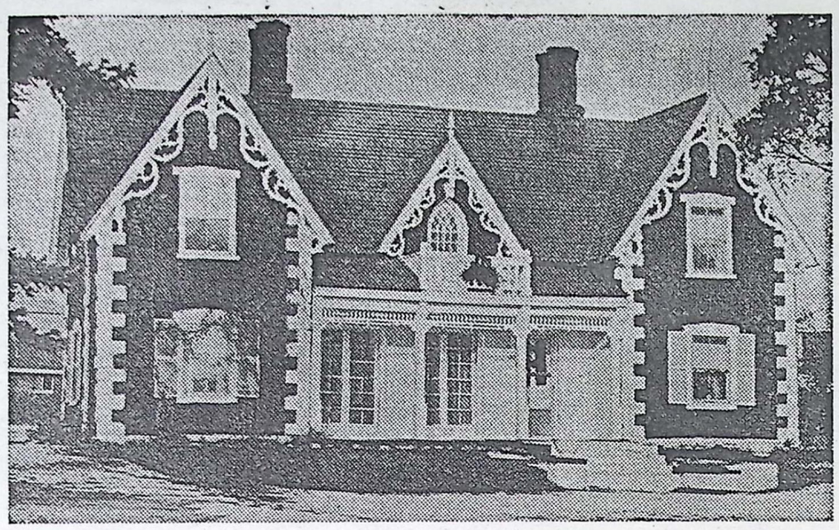
With the annual Swiss Days celebration looming in the near future, the Midway Boosters Club, sponsors of the annual celebration have began formulating plans for the celebration.

Girls who are seeking the coveted title of Swiss Miss are asked to please contact Mrs. Paul C. Probst at her home in Midway, phone 864-J to sign up for the contests which is held on August 30 and 31.

All girls, 15 years of age and older and of Swiss descent are eligible to enter the contest. All entries should be in by August 10.

Mrs. David Probst, chairman of costuming for the Swiss Days festival stated that an effort was being made to have everyone appear in Swiss costume for the two day celebration.

She urged all persons to begin now to compile their wearing attire for the event and stated that anyone needing information on this segment of the festival, please to contact her.



This is the old Henry T. Coleman home in Midway. It is red, white and green. Gay as a holiday greeting card.

'It's Midway To Heaven'

By DOROTHY O. REA

There is a picturesque Swiss village in Utah. It is described by loyal residents as, "Midway to Heaven." In this village lives a lovely princess in a castle filled with treasures.

Maybe it's only fair to say the town isn't really midway to heaven. But it could well be. The lovely lady isn't really a princess. But it seems like she should be. The castle isn't filled with silver, gold or jewels. The treasures are more rare than these.

Lethe Coleman Tatge lives in the house purchased by her father, Henry T. Coleman, in 1903 in Midway, Wasatch County.

Today's visitor walks under pines that tower high above the gabled roof. The dark green of the trees accents the shining green roof, the bright red paint that covers walls of hand-pressed adobe bricks, the white sandstone trim. Lacy white scroll trims the house. This "gingerbread" was done by Moroni Blood, a pioneer woodworker who lives in—Or to tell about the house without Lethe. Both are dear to the hearts of Midway and Heber Valley.

Only last month, Lethe Tatge was named "Honorary Citizen" by the Midway Boosters Club. She was cited for outstanding service to her community, her Church and her fellowmen. She was lauded for the many hours she devoted to the recently published history of Wasatch County, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains." This was a project of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers to record the history of Heber Valley from the days of pioneer settlements to the present.

Brothers and sisters who shared the fun of growing up in the "picture-postcard house," are Henry S. Coleman, Carson City; Guy E. Coleman and Mrs. Elmer (Merle C.) Madsen, Midway; Nate C., Denver; Dale F., Sydney, Australia; Mrs. L. W. (Rhea) Guild, Gilford, N.H.; Mrs. R. A. (Ruth) Phillips, Arlington, Va.; Mrs.

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The home was built in 1867 by Bishop John Watkins, one of the Mormon pioneer settlers. He was an architect and builder, well-known for his skills in England where he had heard the Gospel. Even then, Henry Coleman was interested in the place. He did all the lumber work in the house.

By Their Fruits

Entering the home of Lethe Tatge is like stepping back in time to the carefree and gracious days following the turn of the century.

A calendar of the year 1903 hangs in an upper bedroom. All the furnishings speak of that period. On cold winter days, upper rooms are warmed by small iron stoves—blackened and shined to a high gloss. High poster beds reach to the ceiling, while a visiting niece is lulled to slumber in the depths of a feather mattress.

Lethe Tatge keeps the home as it was in days of her childhood. The warmth of love and friendship glows brightly now as it did then. Three generations of the Coleman family still visit Lethe "at home," and family devotion glows as brightly as it did when Bishop Henry T. and Mrs. Emily Springer Coleman were there as mainstays of family, Church and community.

It is impossible to tell of Lethe without telling about the home she ments to the present.

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There are dozens of Coleman grandchildren and great-grandchildren who come to spend memorable days in the home of their grandparents.

Lethe Tatge gained national recognition as a Chautauqua artist when she was a young woman. (A Chautauqua—named for the city in New York where it originated—was a selected group of educators and entertainers sent out on circuit to hold meetings, often in the open air or in tents.)

Lethe was asked to be on the program when Julius C. Naphye brought his Chautauqua troop to Heber Valley for a Christmas pageant. Her performance pleased the management. When she had finished school, she was invited to travel as a lecturer.

Maybe she hadn't planned on an early lecture assignment, but she got it. World War I was raging in France and Germany. A certain Captain Briggs was on the Chautauqua circuit lecturing on, "What the American Soldier Is Doing."

The captain took suddenly ill in Rigby, Idaho. Lethe was managing the program. Only, now there was no program. She stepped out on the platform in the crowded tent. On the spur of the moment she talked about, "What the Young Women of America Are Doing for Their Country."

She was unaware, at the time, that she was describing the dawn of the day when women would rise to important places in the economic world.

Lethe Coleman Tatge is 1965's Honorary Citizen for her community. She lives in the pioneer home of her parents and keeps it as it was when this century was very young.

At a supper-dance at a Midway resort, Lethe met a businessman from Chicago. He had traveled up Provo Canyon on the little train, fondly remembered as the "Heber Creeper." He had to wait in Heber for a stage to Park City. Friends took him to the dance where he met Lethe. He didn't forget her, although they had only danced once or twice before she went home with her friends.

Months later he called to ask if he might write to her. It was several years before they met again. After their marriage, they moved to Chicago. Life was as exciting as the days when Lethe traveled across the United States, Canada and Alaska as a lecturer and dramatist.

After her husband's death in 1954, Lethe put her roots down deeper in Midway. But she didn't retire from activity. She has starred in several of the recent Church films made by Brigham Young University Motion Picture Dept.

She has continued her life-long service to the Church, serving now as theology class leader in Relief Society.

Every civic project gets a boost from Lethe, who has endeared herself to her community, Church and state through constant service.

"1965"

Booster Club Officers

BOOSTER OFFICERS— Front Row - l. to r.: June Tatton, Sec., Earl Houtz, President; Carmen Kohler,. Back Row - Lowell Coleman, Rulon Huntington, Bill Mair, Directors. Absent from photo was Darlene Shelton, a director. The officers extend invitation.

Swiss Miss & Attendants

SWISS MISS OF 1965— Lovely Jane Kohler, center, holds the title of "Swiss Miss" this year. Her attendants are Susan Vanoner, left, and Kathryn Johnson, right. A new Swiss Miss will be selected at the 1965 celebration in a contest to be held Saturday.

Royalty for annual Midway, Wasatch County, Swiss Days Celebration are, from left, Shanna Shelton, Jill Cushing, Swiss Miss, and Becky Fugate. Jerry Gertsch gives girls a ride in an old-fashioned Swiss cart.

Annual Rite Begins Friday

Swiss Days to Honor Midway's Centennial Year

Special to The Tribune

MIDWAY, Wasatch County — Midway's annual Swiss Days celebration will be held Friday and Saturday. The event, sponsored by the Boosters Club, honors the town's centennial year.

Events get under way Friday at 4:30 p.m. with the opening of the Swiss Marketplace where 22 booths will offer various Swiss foods as well as American specialties. Friday's parade will be at 6 p.m.; Saturday's parade, at 10 a.m.

A musical program will be held both Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:15 p.m. in the Town Hall.

A full day of old-time games for all age groups is planned Saturday by Raymond North and Glade Wilson. Games, in keeping with the centennial theme, will include a 10-man tug of war; horsehoes, jumping rope, hopscotch, chess, checkers, dirt shoveling contests, bicycle races, men's and women's wheelbarrow races and shotputs, pie eating contest, flag race, kids' races, garbage can toss, big tire race and water diving for money.

Topping off activities will be the new Swiss Days Sweepstakes Mystery Contest. Everyone over 14 years of age may compete.

A girls' softball game will be played Saturday afternoon.

The 1967 Swiss Miss will be selected at the Town Hall at 3:30 p.m. Midway girls between the ages of 14-18 may enter.

Reigning over this years' celebration as 1966 Swiss Miss is Jill Cushing, 18, niece of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kohler. Attendants are Becky Fugate, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fugate, and Shanna Shelton, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Shelton.

SWISS QUEENS AND HER ATTENDANTS

1954------ Kay Mitchell
Genieve Buehler-----Joan Buehler

1955----- Barbara Joost
Connie Pope---------Susan Whitaker

1956----- Georgia Schear
Launie Hair---------Valerie Jones

1957----- Eileen Mitchie
Margarete Kohler----Connie Pope

1958----- Bonnie Gertsch
Wendy Whitaker------Valerie Jones

1959----- No Queen or celebration this year

1960----- Edna Kohler
Jean Pope----------Linda Bonner

1961----- Elaine Toone
Ann Liffereth---------Yvonne Liffereth

1962----- Sally Fugate
Sherrie Wilson--------Christine Mitchell

1963----- Judy Zenger
Doreen Pugh----------Jean Pope

1964----- Margo Christensen
Jane Kohler----------Colleen Alder

1965----- Jane Kohler
Katherine Johnson-----Susan Van Wagoner

1966----- Jill Cushing
Shanna Shelton--------Becky Fugate

Midway Boosters Club Honors Mrs. Lethe Tatge

The "Honored Citizen of the Year" award given by the Midway Boosters went to Mrs. Lethe Coleman Tatge. The award was given to Mrs. Tatge at the Boosters Annual dinner held last week.

The program was written and arranged by Thelma Hair who introduced each of the participants Mr. Rulon Huntington opened the program by singing, "A Red Rose to a Lovely Lady" which was the theme of the evening and was accompanied by June Tatton. Merle Madsen, a sister, represented her parents, Patriarch and Mrs. Henry T. Coleman, depicting Lethe's early family life and read a poem written "To Lethe" by her mother many years ago. Merle paid tribute "To Lethe, one of us in our home."

Guy Coleman, a brother, represented her brothers, Henry in Carson City, Nevada; Nate of Denver, Colorado; Keith and Glen, the departed ones; Dale of Sidney, Australia. Chloe Madsen, a sister, represented Lethe's sisters, Merle, Rhea Guild, of Gilford, New Hampshire; Ruth Phillips of Arlington, Virginia, which was entitled, "Lethe is our sister."

Thelma Hair presented an arm full of red roses as a tribute from her beloved husband, Francis Tatge with his statement; "She is the most wonderful woman I have ever met." which he said to her as he danced with her one evening. Bp. Burton Van Wagoner paid tribute to her "church activities". Bishop Irvin Bowden, School Board President paid tribute to her "Educational Contributions" Judge Wetzel Whitaker paid tribute to her "cultural talents and activities". Further music was furnished by Ammon Van Wagoner playing his Vibraphone and Karen Springer sang, "A Song for You", with Mrs. Tatton for the accompanist.

A response by Mrs. Tatge was greeted with a standing ovation of admiration and love of all the community. Each member on the program then presented Lethe with a red rose. Earl Houtz, President of the Boosters Club, presented her with a beautiful trophy.

Lethe has received calls, cablegrams, telegrams, letters and gifts from all members of her family and her husband's family. Among those who came from out-of-town for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Madsen, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harding and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Taylor, David Madsen, Marilyn Beesley, Mr. and Mrs. Judge Whitaker, Phillip Bulock of Provo and Mrs. Orma Wallengren from Los Angeles, California.

Honored Citizen

MIDWAY, Wasatch County—Mrs. Lethe Tatge was named Honorary Citizen at the annual Midway Boosters Club banquet, for giving outstanding service to the community, the church, and to her fellowmen.

Mrs. Tatge

She was lauded for her many hours of work on the recently published history of Wasatch County, "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains."

Mrs. Tatge's knowledge acquired as a world traveler and lecturer has enriched the lives of students whom she has taught in the Wasatch County High School, and in auxiliary classes in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

She has spent considerable time in the theater and appeared in film productions at the Brigham Young University. She has always given freely of her time and talents to help in any capacity that she is asked.

To encourage students at the local high school in dramatic arts, Mrs. Tatge has presented trophies to outstanding students in forensics for the past six years.

HISTORY OF EDUCATION IN WASATCH COUNTY

The first settlers came to Wasatch County in 1858, and it was the summer of 1860 when the first log building was erected in Heber for school and church purposes. The first teacher of this school was John M. Young.

By 1864, two sandstone one-room school buildings were built. The first teacher of the Upper School was William Chatwin, who taught there for a number of years. There seems to have been some difficulty in keeping teachers at the Lower School.

Teachers who are remembered by the pioneers of our valley are: William Chatwin, C. B. Nugent, Henry Chatwin, David Murdock, Thomas Hicken, Sam Wing, George Barzee, and Marion H. Shelton.

A third brick building was located in the southwest part of town. It was nicknamed "Sleepy Hollow School." Henry Clegg was the first teacher of this school.

The Old Relief Hall, the Tithing Office Building for the primary children with Maria Luke as teacher, the upper part of the Courthouse with William Buys as teacher, and a log schoolhouse built east of town on Elisha Jones's land to accommodate the children in that location, together with the three stone one-room buildings and Carter's Hall, were all used as one-room schools to accommodate the children of Heber. There were about 500 children of school age. About 300 attended school.

The school year was divided into four terms. A fee of $1.50 per term was charged. Most children attended but one term during the year. There were no grades, but the progress of pupils was determined by the reader used.

All of these one-room schools accommodated the children who attended school, until 1889 when a church school called the Wasatch Academy was organized. The enrollment for the first year was thirty-one pupils. There were two departments.

The Congregational church organized a school in 1883, which was held in a rock store building. In 1890, the L. D. S. built a modern school building of three classrooms. This school functioned until about 1920. The Methodist Church also conducted school classes in their building.

In 1889, educators and progressive citizens of Heber began to work for a graded school building. Tax meetings were held, and after two or more elections, sufficient funds were raised to build a modern eight-room school building, called the Central School. This building burned to the ground in 1923, and a modern building was constructed and ready for the opening of school in September.

A second grade building was built in the northeast part of town in about 1905. It was called the Heber North School. By this time, most of the log or rock school buildings in the surrounding towns in the county had been abandoned and modern grade schools were built at Midway, Center Creek, Wallsburg, and Charleston. One-room log schools were at Bench Creek, Elkhorn, and Daniel.

A modern three-room brick building was built at Daniel in 1923, and a eight-room building at Soldier Summit in 1921, and a four-room school at Keetley in about 1927.

In 1908, the Wasatch High School was organized by consolidation of Heber, Midway, Charleston, Daniel, Center, Wallsburg, Elkhorn, and Riverdale. David A. Broadbent was principal of the Heber Schools. He, with Trustees J. W. Clyde, W. S. Willis, and Frederick Crook, took the initiative in calling an election for the citizens of Wasatch County to vote on the question of a consolidated county high school.

In 1912, the high school students moved into their new high school building. By 1927, the enrollment had grown to the extent that a new addition was built.

In 1964, a new High School was erected on the South end of Main Street. The old High School was then made into a Jr. High, housing students in the 7th, 8th, and 9th grades.

These two schools, along with three Elementary Schools, now employ 127 people, of which 85 are teachers and instructors.

FACTS OF INTEREST ABOUT WASATCH COUNTY AND HEBER VALLEY

Wasatch County, located in the North central part of Utah, has a land area of 1194 square miles, and lies largely in a mountainous area of the State. The elevation varies from 5400 ft. above sea level in Heber Valley to over 10,000 ft. in the Uintah and Wasatch mountains. Heber Valley, is one of the most beautiful valleys in the Intermountain region. It is almost round, about twelve miles in diameter, and is surrounded by mountains. The Provo River runs in a southwesterly direction through the valley and enters Provo Canyon. This canyon is full of mountain scenery, including the beautiful Bridal Veil and other waterfalls. Near the head of the Provo Canyon is the Deer Creek Reclamation Project, a huge earth dam impounding the waters of the Provo River, making a large lake, the waters of which are used for irrigation and other purposes in Utah and Salt Lake Counties.

On the southeast of the valley, Daniel's Canyon runs up over the mountain to Strawberry Valley, a natural pasture for livestock. The Strawberry River runs through this valley and the waters of this river are impounded, a large lake formed, and the waters used for irrigation in the south end of Utah County. The elevation of Heber Valley is 5593 feet above sea level, and is ideal for dairying. We have many dairy herds and several large dairy farms. Our County is noted for the number and quality of sheep and cattle produced, and in the hills and mountains surrounding Heber Valley, especially on the east, we have a large acreage of the finest grazing grounds for livestock in the State. Thousands of sheep and beef cattle are pastured here. The finest grass fed fat lambs and beef in the State are shipped from this area.

In addition to the above, the farms in the Heber Valley area are well watered and fertile and produce hay, grain, and pasture to support the many fine herds of dairy cattle as well as the winter feed for the range cattle spoken of. Shipment of dairy products, principally grade A milk for the Salt Lake area is one of the major sources of income.

The Uintah, Wasatch and Ashley National Forests lying within Wasatch County are an important source of timber and the lumber industry is bringing in considerable revenue. In the mountains on the northwest of the valley are some of the larger mines in the State. They produce large quantities of silver, lead, zinc, copper and some gold. Millions of dollars worth of ore have been shipped from this area.

Wasatch County has a total of 746,888 acres, of which only 23,501 acres are irrigated and 24,883 cultivated. The average rainfall is considerably higher than other counties in Utah, being 16.3 inches per year. The winters are cold, with temperatures dropping below zero, but the summers are delightful. This area is considered part of some of the important water sheds of Utah, with a portion of the precipitation draining into the Great Basin and part into the Colorado River. Approximately 400,000 acres of the Uintah and Wasatch National Forest is found in Wasatch County.

Wasatch County's population has remained almost static for many years, ranging around 5500, made up principally of farmers and stockmen, miners, workers at Geneva Steel and other industries who commute to work, and various business people.

Heber City, the county seat, is in the center of the Valley and has a population of 3000. Other towns are Midway, Charleston, Wallsburg, and Soldier Summit. The predominant religion is the L.D.S. church, with approximately 92% of the population belonging to that denomination.

Wasatch County is rapidly developing fame as a recreational and playground area. Deer Creek Reservoir, Strawberry Reservoir, the Provo River and many smaller streams and mountain lakes draw fishermen from far and near. The two lakes mentioned above are well stocked with game fish such as the Rainbow, German Brown, and native trout. Some of the finest deer hunting in the West is to be found here. The forests offer beautiful and inviting playgrounds for the camper. The Wasatch State Mountain Park is now open and has a beautiful 18 hole golf course, said to be one of the best in the State. Winter sports area, unsurpassed anywhere in the country, is within our borders. Near the town of Midway, about four miles west of Heber City, are located natural warm springs with clean swimming pools, surrounded by unusual craters, well known as the "Hot Pots!" Tourist accomodations are adequate, with fine motels, hotels, and eating places where one can spend a few hours or days or weeks of relaxation and pleasure. All of these fine recreational facilities are within a short distance of the great population centers of the State and are easily reached on fine modern roads.

In numerous places, the county offers mountain scenery comparable to that found in the Alps of Switzerland, and during May and June, the deep green valleys, flanked by great ranges of snow-covered mountains, offer scenic views equal to any in the world. Truly, Wasatch County lives up to its nickname of "THE PARADISE OF THE ROCKIES!"

HOW MIDWAY GOT ITS NAME

So many ask -- nestled in the west end of the valley against the mountains-- Why did they call this town Midway? In 1859, the first settlers took up home sites along the green meadows of the Snake Creek. A lower settlement called Cottonwood and an upper settlement known as Mound City. When the dark shadow of the Black Hawk War threatened the scattered homes, President Brigham Young advised the people to move together and build a fort. Neither of these groups wanted to go to the other so they compromised and built the fort midway between the two. The town began to grow up around this fort and on what is now the town square and the place became what is now Midway.

Map - Old Fort Midway -
Town Board - Town Maps.

In prehistoris times -- The memorial hill was a tiny island in the great lake Bonneville. As the lake receded the hill stood as an outpost for the mountains. Its top became a burial place for Indian tribes. Later pioneers settled here and it was included in the Jesse McCarroll homestead. Later, the legislature declared it a memorial to the Veterans of our wars. It is known now as Memorial Hill and a monument to all our service men was erected and a winding road circles to the top for a thrilling view of the valley.

The great limerock mounds, resembling volcanic cones in the midway area are not volcanos. The water on the high mountains to the north and west filters down through crevices and fissures until it finds an opening large enough to surface as a spring. In the various strata of rock here is the great Wasatch lime formation. As the water percolates down, it is stopped by a _____ like water proof wall. The high pressure forces the water up through the lime -- the water is saturated with it -- and upon reaching the surface the pressure is released, Depositing the lime and building up a cone we call HOT POTS.

The industry of Midway has been mainly dairy farming. Lucous pastures and unpoluted atmosphere and cool temperatures have been ideal for the production of high grade dairy products. General farming, sheep raising and recreation has also added to the activity.

Some years ago the Midway Boosters club decided that it would be a good idea to honor the Mayor of Midway. Mr. William Haueter. He had served the town for many years, providing the use of the town hall for many activities of the clubs and citizens of Midway. They noted that Mr. Haueter and his brother Frederick were the builders of the Town Recreational Hall and that it would be proper of the town to honor him at their annual banquet. The reception was so unanomously approved that each year since an outstanding citizen of the community is selected and so homored as Midways Honor Citizen of the year.

Last year in 1969 Karl Probst was so honored.

Mining has not been a major industry in this section, however, early prospecting and employment in the Park City mines provided income for many of the citizens of Midway. The Snake Creek tunnel, Jesse Knights mines and the Midwest Drain Tunnel were active for many years. One mine still operates in Snake Creek and the geology of the area does give encouragment for further development.

Minutes of the first Booster's club meetings as recorded in a small notebook and then obscured away in an old desk and discovered again by Guy Coleman in January 1974, Midway, Utah.

Preamble Committee meeting February 24th, 1931, President Wm L. VanWagoner presided.

A discussion was indulged in as to objects of the club. Suggested constitution and bylaws and preambles were read and upon a motion which carried Karl Probst was appointed to finish the draft of the constitution. J. E. Huber appointed to arrange the bylaws and Guy Coleman appointed to draft the preamble. The above to be presented at the next regular meeting.

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Minutes of second Booster's meeting held March 4th, 1931, President Wm VanWagoner presided.

The session was opened with a song "Put Your Shoulder to the Wheel" A prayer for the success of the club was offered by Henry T. Coleman. Preliminary remarks were made by the president W.L. VanWagoner. Upon motion of Guy E. Coleman it was decided upon to conduct this and subsequent meetings according to the Roberts Rules of Order. Austin Kelly seconded the motion; it was carried unanimously.

Minutes of first meeting was read and approved. The preamble as submitted by Guy E. Coleman was read and upon motion of F.O. Haueter and seconded by Glen Rex was unanimously voted upon.

Articles of Constitution were submitted as compiled by Karl L. Probst--with minor ammendments and changes--adopted upon motion of Reed Kholer and seconded by Lethe Coleman voted unanimously.

Rules and By Laws as submitted by J.E. Juber were read and with minor ammendments upon motion of J.E. Huber and second by Fred Haueter were unanimously adopted.

J. E. Huber made a motion that our identification and membership card be adopted by including the preamble on each card. Motion seconded and coted upon unanimously.

A motion by H.T. Coleman that those present act as a committee on membership was seconded and approved by the meeting.

The President W.L. VanWagoner opened a discussion proposing a homecoming. H.T. Coleman motioned that the officers of the club act as a committee with others as they may select to meet and submit a report on the advisability of putting on a homecoming and considering financial obligation of such event. The motion was seconded and carried.

A motion was made to adjourn. It carried.

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Minutes fo Booster's club meeting held in second Ward Chapel March 11. 1931, President Wm L. VanWagoner presided.

The group sand "Our Country 'Tis of Thee". Prayer was offered by Clark Bronson. Minutes were read and approved. Upon motion of Jacob Probst and second by Mrs. H.T. Coleman it was agreed that minutes of our meeting be read and approved at the close of each meeting and also that they be read at the following regular meeting.

President VanWagoner opened a discussion concerning a homecoming celebration and town improvement. Suggestion was made to gravel the north sidewalk on Main Street in Midway. Upon motion of Nephi Huber seconded by Reed Kohler, Wm L. VanWagoner appointed a committee of five to co-operate with Town board namely, Nephi Huber, John N. Carrol, J.H. Luke, F.O. Haueter, and Clark Bronson, to investigate gravel pit conditions; suggest a day and methods for graveling the

sidewalks, reporting their findings to the Boosters Club.

Advisability of homecoming, means and ways of financing, publicity and advertising costs and methods were freely discussed. Bishop Jacob Probst made a motion that the proposition of homecoming be decided by the Townspeople assembled at the 17th of March reunion. The motion was seconded and carried.

Move for adjournment carried.

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March 18, 1931. Minutes of Midway Boosters Club meeting held in Second Ward First vice president Reed Kohler presided.

A report of the gravel pit committee was given by Nephi Huber. Mr. Huber reported a suitable gravel located and work commenced Wednesday March 18th. While but a few turned out he expressed the thought that the time to complete our program was now--and March 19th also set for a continuance of the work.

As no report was available on the homecoming referendum the subject was continued until a future meeting.

The scope of the club's activities were also considered especially as regards to approach roads to our forests--: A motion by Guy E. Coleman that Pres. VanWagoner appoint a committee on membership to divide the community into groups and drive for new members was made, Carried.

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Boosters Meeting held conjointly with M.I.A. Held in Second Ward chapel April 8 1931. In the absence of President VanWagoner Vice President Reed Kohler presided.

A vocal duet was rendered by Fern Provost and Geneva Burgener, guitar accompaniment by Karl Probst. Prayer was offered by Bishop Clark Bronson. A musical number was given by Roy Huntington. Minutes of club meeting of March 18th were read. The coming clean up campaign was discussed. Suggestions were made to wait on the M.I.A. officers and aid them in.

A motion by Karl Probst was made to refer this campaign to the M.I.A. officers, suggested that they arrange and advertise this campaign.

Approach to the forest roads were talked of with the suggestion that the matter be taken up with the County Commisioners and the Forest Service.

Moved and Seconded the meeting be adjourned.

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Note: This material was copied from the original minutes by Iola Johnson February 25, 1974 at the request of Lethe Tatge.

Mayor Kohler thought that the partitions could be removed from the Post Office for the Swiss Days so it could be used for one of the exhibits.

First Ward Scouts to take care of the flag, also to ring the bell and they thought of calling it the "Bell of Freedom".

Swiss music and records. Discussed buying records for Boosters to keep permantly . Ferrin suggested to hire someone to play records before Swiss Days for an hour or so each day.

On Write up for the Wave put an appeal in for everyone who wanted a booth to contact Mr. and Mrs. William Tuaotte.

Byron Kohler will work over the sound system, and take care of it for the program. Bob Welch to be asked to do it for the rest of the celebration.

Ferrin will paint 16 new masonite signs to be kept for permanent use in the Swiss Day celebrations. June Ashton to help him on decorations.

Eloise Bronson to head parade committee. In write up in paper invite every family in the community to put a float in the parade. Every child in parade to receive a dime. Five dollars apiece for best floats in each of these divisions--comedy, family, commericial, church. Suggestion made to ask the people at the County Fair with floats to save them and bring their floats to Midway for Swiss Days.
Mrs. Castleton to contact High School bands. Swim to be given free for members of bands marching and also for Accordian Players.

Lee Ivers had been very successful in getting advertising ads on the West Side of Main Street. Roy Kohler and Grant Shelton to help with them on East side of Main Street in Heber.

Dave Wilson to be asked to head Dance Committee.
Books were distributed to sell dance tickets.

Lee Ivers wanted material for the booklet written up and ready by the first of next week in order to get the booklet out early enough to send out.

Chairs discussed for program at night. Town owns about 450 chairs. Earl Kohler was in charge of contacting someone to borrow the 190 chairs from the Memorial Building. Older boys were to help him get them and set them up.

Add to Wave write up about the Chuck wagon breadfast.

Fawn Kohler to be asked to work on the decoration committee and choose someone to help her.

Town Board to have the Town Hall all cleaned up and ready for celebration.
Suggestion made to get numbers to play music or other entertainment during the Swiss Market.

Decided not to have the Decication of the Post Office at that time because the out of town people probably wouldn't be interested and the town officers and Post Office employees deemed it best to make another occasion for it.

Alberta Provost to be in charge of the Swiss Miss' for the booklet, and for picture of Mr. and Mrs. Tuotte.

Question asked what is being done on the costumes?

The children's game chairman to be contacted to see if he was still going to act.

The committee were to think about having a baseball game of Little League players or local adults after the children's games on Saturday afternoon.

Question-What time on Friday should Swiss Market open. 2:00 P. M. discussed. What time for the Parade to begin. No later than 5:30 for it to begin, discussed.

Swiss Dancing--B.Y. U. group to be recontacted by Merle Madsen who was a personal friend of Mary B. Jensen, to see if she couldn't encourage them to change their mind about coming.

Maude Derry to be recontacted about local dances from the children.

Next meeting for committee members and all interested community members to be held on the 16th of August at 8 oclock in the Council Room.

Recognize any of these winsome belles? They were candidates for Swiss Miss when Midway celebrated 60 years ago. Today's girls are pretty too.

CENTENNIAL YEAR

September 2, 1966

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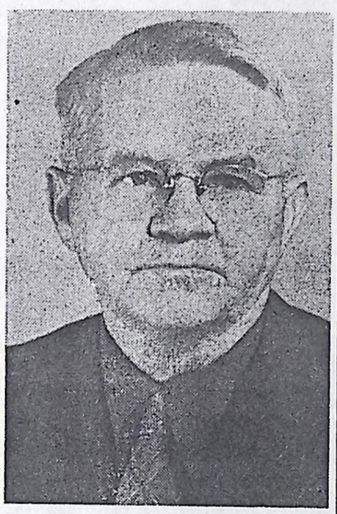
Guy E. Coleman Named Midway Honor Citizen

Guy E. Coleman became Midway's Honor Citizen of the Year for 1967 at the Midway Booster Club's Honor Banquet which was held on Saturday night.

Nephi Probst as master of ceremonies gave the introduction and tribute as citizen, friend, neighbor and worthy of this great honor. Beth Probst gave a lovely tribute to Mrs. Teresa Coleman, Guy's faithful wife as a lovely and beautiful lady with a highly developed artistic talents, showing love for her husband, children and children's friends.



MR. GUY E. COLEMAN

Merle Madsen, a sister, gave Guy a tribute as an honor and credit to his parents, brothers and sisters—that his outstanding achievement was not all earned during 1967 but began from the beginning of his life. Lethe Tatge, a sister, gave Guy a tribute of his school and young life's activities, of his excellence in long distance running, academic achievements and outstanding performance in all facets of his life.

Chloe Madsen gave her brother a tribute which had been sent from his brothers, Henry of Carson City, Nev.; Nate of Denver, Colorado; Dale of Sidney, Australia; sisters, Rhea Guild of LaConia, New Hampshire and Ruth Phillips of Arlington, Virginia, along with her own tribute, then Chloe presented gifts from his brother and sisters.

Dr. Shand brought two students and accompanist from Salt Lake City to play a violin duet of Estrellita. Clarence Probst knew Guy's favorite song and arranged for it. They could not find it as a violin duet so Dr. Shand wrote this arrangement special.

Then Rose Hoyt, a daughter, represented their family and paid tribute to their parents. President Wayne Whiting, an associate of Guy's for many years in County affairs praised Guy for the outstanding work he had done as a County Commissioner.

Valerie Thacker, a granddaughter represented the grandchildren and great-grandchildren with a poem. They all gathered around Guy and received his attention.

Ivan Pope, Booster Club president presented Guy with an engraved placque and his wife with a lovely vase of pink roses and pink carnations.

Clarence Probst, orchestra and chorus leader and friend gave Guy a beautiful sterling silver tray.

To top off a wonderful day for Guy, news arrived that his book of poerty has been published and will be on sale at Coleman's Store under the name of "Pine's Whisper".

All of the children and grandchildren were there. From out-of the valley were Rose and Gordon Hoyt and son, Jeffery of Laramie, Wyoming, and Dianne and David Davidson and sons, John and Robert from Oakland, California. 54 members of his family were present.

—Midway—

The Midway Boosters met on Saturday, January 7 at the Council Room where Bill Mair turning the Presidency of the Boosters over to Ivan Pope. The Board of Directors for the year are RayMond North, Shirley Lance, 2-year directors; 1-year directors are: Dezzie Probst, Calvin Craig and Dennis Clegg.

Honored Citizen...

The Midway Boosters Club held their annual Honor Citizen Banquet on Friday, November 21st at the Midway Town Hall. The Elders Quorum was in charge of the dinner. The highlight of the evening was the announcement of the 1969 Honor Citizen, Karl L. Probst, successful teacher and musician.

Mr. Probst was presented with a beautiful placque from the Boosters Club and his lovely wife, Cree, was presented with a bouquet of red roses. From then on the evening was all Karl's, with Lethe Tatge acting as Mistress of Ceremonies to a program that highlighted Karl's life and introduced family members who had come to honor their father, along with approximately 100 Booster Club members and friends.

MR. PROBST WAS A Sunday School and Ward Chorister for 40 years; Wasatch Stake Sunday School Chorister for 8 years and he taught school for 22 years in Midway, 8 of those of which he was principal, 16 years in Wasatch High School and two years as principal in Oakley, Summit County. He took time off from his teaching to attend the BYU where he received his Bachelor's Degree in both Art and Music.

He has been a Scoutmaster & worked in the scouting program for 40 years. In college, he took a course which gave him the scoutmaster Key Award.

DURING HIS LIFETIME he organized and led many bands, starting many students in musical careers. He is remembered for his organization of Minstrel Shows which were used to help finance the building of the Midway Second Ward Chapel. He also organized several male quartets over a period of 40 years.

Mr. Probst served two terms on the Town Board at the time the Midway Town Hall was being built. His ability to do fancy handwriting led to many requests for him to sign certificates, invitations, etc.

MR. KARL W. PROBST

MR. AND MRS. PROBST served a shortterm mission in the East Central States and have spent several winters in Mesa, Arizona, doing temple work. The last year he taught school, he decided to try making a guitar. He found a big log up Snake Creek and chopped it down to size with an axe. Within a year he had made a very good electric guitar. He invented the "Melody Harp" and has been working on Spanish guitars and experimenting with various woods.

Family members present included Doris Probst and son, Allan, the family of Bernard Probst, Karl's oldest son who has passed on. Bernard and Doris' son, Max, is on a mission in Texas and another son, Lynn was unable to be present. Others present were Mrs. L. L. (Beatrice) Stroud of Phoenix, Arizona; Gene and Darlene Probst and five of their six children of Midway. A son, Mike, is also on a mission. Also present were Nila Horner and four of her six children from Colorado; the twins, Mr. and Mrs. LaMar (Madelyn) Nichols and son, Mr. and Mrs. Jack (Marilyn) Osborne and Joyce Murray of Phoenix, Arizona. One son, Dr. Glen W. Probst of Lansing, Michigan, teaches at the University of Michigan and was unable to attend.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDED several quartet numbers by Roy Huffaker, Ferrin Whitaker, Karl L. Probst and Berlin Whitaker; a tribute to Karl by Rulon Huntington, a former student of Karl's; a duet, "It's Just a Little Street" by Joyce Murray and Gene Probst, accompanied by Beatrice Stroud and a tribute by Dr. Ferrin Van Wagoner who was associated with Karl at the high school. A poem written in tribute to Karl by his granddaughter, Sheri Stroud, now a student at the University of Arizona, was read by Karl's wife, Cree, after which Karl played a selection of "Vaya Con Dios" on the first guitar he ever made. He was accompanied by Beatrice Stroud.

MR. PROBST WANTED TO thank the Boosters Club for the fine honor which came to him and express his deep appreciation for those who participated on the program given in his honor. Mr. Probst has led a full and rewarding life and because of his love for nature and the outdoors still spends many hours fishing and hunting. With a full life behinid him, he yet has many things he wants to accomplish.

Other business for the evening included the thanks and appreciation to outgoing Booster Club officers which included Leland B. Ivers, 1969 president; Mrs. David (Sharleene) Wilson, director and Mrs. Glade (Glenna) Wilson, secretary-treasurer for the past three years. Newly elected two-year directors were Emer Wilson, Mrs. Richard T. (Carole) Jones, Berlin Whitaker and Mrs. Dean (Sharon) Carlson. Booster Club President for 1970 will be Lowell Johnson with holdover directors Mrs. Earl (Reta) Wilson and Ray Fillmore.

Alma and Nettie Huber

Alma Huber was born in Park City on December 30, 1904. He was the fourth of eleven children born to John M. and Elizabeth Gertsch Huber. His mother was born in Wengen, Switzerland, and his father was the first boy born in the town of "Mound City", just northwest of where the present town of Midway was settled later. Alma's people were from the eastern part of Switzerland.

Alma's grandfather John (pronounced as Johannes) Huber later returned to that area of Switzerland from which he had come, to fill a mission for the L.D.S. Church. He and his family had been early converts and he was influential in the conversion of many people and managed to convince them of the advantages of coming to live in Utah. About 50% of the people in Midway were Swiss.

Johannes Huber returned to Midway and was a great help and comfort to many who had come to live in this community of Swiss people. When the time came to translate the Book of Mormon into the German language, he did much of that work for the Church. He homesteaded in Snake Creek and raised his family there.

Alma Huber's father, John M., worked in the mines and mills in Park City and farmed in Midway. His home was built at 395 W. 2nd No., Midway, just through the block from where Alma lives on 1st North.

Alma Huber has lived in Midway ever since his family returned from Park City, when he was three or four years old. He attended the District school in Midway, then went on to high school in Heber, he graduated from Wasatch High School in 1923 and went on to the Brigham Young University. In 1926, he was called to fill a mission for the L.D.S. Church. He served in the Swiss-German Mission until he returned home in August of 1929.

A new school teacher came to Midway in the fall of 1929, she stayed at the home of Emma and Parley Probst, and Alma soon became acquainted with her.

Her name was Nettie Smith, she was the fifth of eight children born she went to the Utah Agricultural College in Logan, now known as the Utah State University. She completed her formal education and taught two years in Beaver before comming to teach in Midway.

Nettie completed her two year contract in Midway before she and Alma were married in the St. George L.D.S. Temple on Nov. 3, 1931.

Soon after their marriage, Alma was asked to serve as Counselor in the Midway Second Ward, after two years in this work, he became that Ward's Bishop for the next eight years, (from 1935-1945).

Nettie had been organist for her ward when she was twelve years old and lived in Beaver, Utah. She became Sunday School organist in Midway Second Ward and has enjoyed her work in each of the auxiliary church organizations during the following years. She has served as Ward Organist; Counselor in Primary; 9 years as President of the Relief Society; and as a board member of the Stake Relief Society for 7 years. She is, also, a Visiting Teacher for the Relief Society.

Alma owned and operated a dairy farm, the dairy barn stood where the State Park Visiting Center now stands. His was one of the properties bought by the state to complete the park.

Alma has been very active in his church work right along. After he was Bishop, he served in the Presidency of the High Priest Quorum both in the Ward and the Stake, those who served with him were Clyde Ritchie and Alma Duke.

Shortly after Stake President Harold Call came into office, the presidency of the Stake High Priests was disolved and Alma Huber served as Ward Group Leader. He has served in various positions throughout the years.

Alma's civic work has been as Chairman of Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Committee of Wasatch County; also, as a member of the Soil Conservation Service Committee of Wasatch County; he was on the Selective Service Board for 25 years;

[illegible] Alma has always liked to plant and care for a really large vegetable garden and he still does this. He and Nettie love to raise flowers too. All of their activity has helped to influence the five children born to them, all born in Midway.

Douglas was born Oct. 26, 1932, he now works for Safeway. He is Supervisor of Safeway Dairy Products and lives in Walnut Creek, Calif., he travels a lot in order to cover the area that is his responsibility. He married Donna Quayle of Logan, Ut. They have two children.

Don was born April 1, 1935, he married Arlene Nuttall, of St. George, Ut. They have five children. He works as Cash County Agricultural Agent and Extension Service. They live in Logan, Utah.

Edith married Jack Young, she was born on May 29, 1938. They have six children. Edith is now on the Stake Relief Society Board. Jack Young works for the Soil Conservation in Wasatch, Summit and Utah Counties, they live in Heber City, Utah.

Annette was born on June 24, 1941. She married Larry Giles and they have five children. They live in Provo, Utah, where Larry is an Insurance Adjuster.

Mark S. was born April 17, 1945. He married Colleen Miller from Manti, Utah, they have two children. Mark is a chemist for Hiland Dairy in Salt Lake. They live in West Jordan, Ut., where Mark is now a member of the Stake Presidency.

Two of the boys were able to finish church missions, but the other one was inducted into the armed services right away. All three of the boys served in the armed services. All three have their Masters Degree in their chosen field of work, and Annette has her B.S. degree in Education. They all attended the University of Utah.

Alma and Nettie said each of their five children were married in the Temple. They have 20 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren with two more on the way.

Alma and Nettie Huber have served two missions together, one for the Wasatch Stake Mission, and one in Texas, San Antonio was their headquarters.

They have been Provo Temple Workers since 1971 and love their work there.

While Alma has been busy with church and civic activities, and his vegetable gardens, Nettie has served her church, her community and children well. Her hobbies have included raising of flowers, knitting and quilting. She is finishing a lovel quilt and has just two more to go to give each of her 20 grandchildren one of her lovely quilts.

Nettie is a member of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. She and Alma have been members of the Midway Boosters Club since it was organized. Nettie is also a member of the Midway Home Culture Club.

In 1971 Alma and Nettie was chosen as honored citizens of Midway.

They celebrated their Golden Anniversary on Nov. 3, 1981. They are happy in their home and

Midway oldest couple

Midway thanks Burgis

By Fawn Kohler

In our looking forward to a wonderful Swiss Days this Sept. 2 and 3rd. We are also at this time looking at our eldest couple, Sam and Martha Burgi, who have done so very much to make former Swiss Days really great.

They have led parades as Grand Marshall. Their enthusiasum through the years has been a joy to all who have ever and great grandchildren.

They expressed their love for the folks of Midway but feel happier to stay at home now days.

Sam was born in Midway Sept. 18, 1886 and Martha was born in Bern, Switzerland in 1890 on June 25th.

Martha came to this beautiful land with August Kohler when he returned from his mission. She had met Sam earlier when

been very active in all church and civic activities through the years.

In thanking her for kindnesses rendered in my behalf she admitted making over 300 baby quilts not to mention the exquisite sweaters, bonnets and bootees that her busy, happy fingers kept pouring out.

We want them and their family to know that Midway wishes to say "W[illegible]

Midway's Honored Citizen Named

Roy Huffaker was honored at the Midway Boosters Honor Banquet as "Citizen of the Year." This banquet is one of the outstanding events of the year for Midway.

Cree Probst was Mistress of Ceremonies and gave a lovely tribute to Iona and stories of Roy's school days. The Midway Quartett, Roy Huffaker, Rulon Huntington, Karl Probst and Berlin Whitaker sang, "I Passed by Your Window".

Roy Huffaker was presented with a wall placque, "Honor Citizen for 1970". His wife, Iona was presented a beautiful bouquet of red roses.

Vay Hicken, a sister, gave a tribute, "Life at Home With Roy." Wayne Huffaker, a nephew played the piano and sang, "Somewhere My Love". Lethe Tatge gave a tribute of the many years of service Roy has unselfishly given of his time and talents in directing music at the Midway Second Ward, at Wasatch Stake and High Priest Quorum meetings. For his service as counselor in the bishopric, under Bishop Nephi Probst and Bishop Alma Huber. For his service in the Boosters Club and

ROY HUFFAKER

Swiss Days Musical Programs. For his service rendered with Marjoria Provost in singing at funerals, which has added to nearly 2,000. For his work in the County Weed & Pest Control and road maintenance.

In word and deed his life has been one of "making others happy". Being the second of 11 children all living, he always kept the home happy by his great sense of humor which has enriched the lives of all who know him.

Marjoria Provost and Veon Price sang a medley, "Hi Neighbor," "May You Always" and "My Best to You." Roy and Rulon Huntington sang, "Sail Along" and "Silver Moon".

Of his family who were able to get through the storm to attend were Burton and Reva Huffaker from Vale, Oregon; Reba and Glenn Davis of Heber; Vay and Cyril Hicken of Heber; Mayor and Mrs. Wilburn Huffaker; their son, Leon and his wife, Jane, and children, Shauna, Jay and Amy. The rest of their family called later in the evening to congratulate their father or brother and to let him know they would have come if the road had been open.

MIDWAY — Roy Huffaker was named Midway Honor Citizen at the annual Midway Booster Club awards banquet.

Mr. Huffaker won the recognition for his many contributions to the community. He and Mrs. Ren Provost sing at many funerals in the valley. He lends his support to community activities, was instrumental in helping organize the first Midway Booster Club, and has helped with the musical presentation for the Swiss Days celebration for many years. He was recommended by his neighbors and friends for his thoughtfulness in taking time to do the little things that make others happy. He is active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and has served for many years as the stake chorister. A member of the Midway quartet, he has brought enjoyment to many.

A native of Midway, Mr. Huffaker is married and the father of five children. He has 19 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He is employed by Wasatch County.

Mr. Huffaker was presented a wall plaque inscribed with his name and the title, "Midway's Honor Citizen for 1970.

Boosters Club Honor Banquet To Be Held Feb. 22

The Midway Booster's Club Annual Honor Banquet and election will be held February 22nd at 7:30 p.m. at the Midway Town Hall at $2.50 per plate. The dinner will be catered by the Center Creek Ward and the proceeds will go to their building fund.

Ticket sales are under the direction of Larry Bonner. Midway will be canvased. If you are not canvased, please contact Larry or any other Booster's Club officer for reservation.

Four new officers will be elected to replace the out-goin officers, which are Dar Ballsteadt, Karl North, Pl F Kohler and Lola Walker. and have a good time. Hig

A gala annual banquet for the Booster's Club members was held Nov. 19 at the Homestead Resort. Charles and Erna Krauser were special guests. Charlie and Erna came from Switzerland to Salt Lake City in 1948. Charlie is a specialist as a Swiss entertainer of Swiss folk dancing, Swiss flag twirling, singing, yodeling and knowledge of costumes. Charlie presented a film of Switzerland and her people. Erna made the decorations. She made four beautiful wreaths and a banquet of roses which were constructed from ribbon. Costumes were shown by pictograph and discussed. Charlie and Erna made six beautiful flower trees which were impressively carried in by six ladies. Mr. Krauser presented them to the Booster's Club as an incentive to enlarge the Swiss atmosphere of Swiss Days.

He said "All for One and One for All." Working together will make success of a great beginning.

Gordon Shipley conducted the affair. Voting was completed by written ballot. John and Margaret Eberhard and Dr. Clayton and Joy Prince were winners and will work with the new Pres. Ferrin Whitaker and other members of the board of directors who will continue.

Everyone upwards of 100 people were enthusiastic and look forward to an exciting Swiss Days in 1976. The proceeds from the past Swiss Days went towards sharing expenses for new drapery for the town hall stage among other things.

Swiss Days Founder, Erna Krauser, Dies

Erna Krauser, 69, 1274 Malvern Ave., an artisan who came here from Switzerland and who worked with her husband and organizers of the Swiss Days in Midway, Wasatch County, to make those festivities authentic, died Tuesday at home after a long illness.

Mrs. Krauser

Mrs. Krauser spent nearly a year on the Swiss Days project, making decorations and costume patterns and teaching Swiss dances.

She enjoyed flower arranging and was a former member of the Sugar House Garden Club. Over the years she made and gave away many Christmas trees and wreaths. She also was a former member of the Swiss Chorus Edelweiss.

Born in Germany

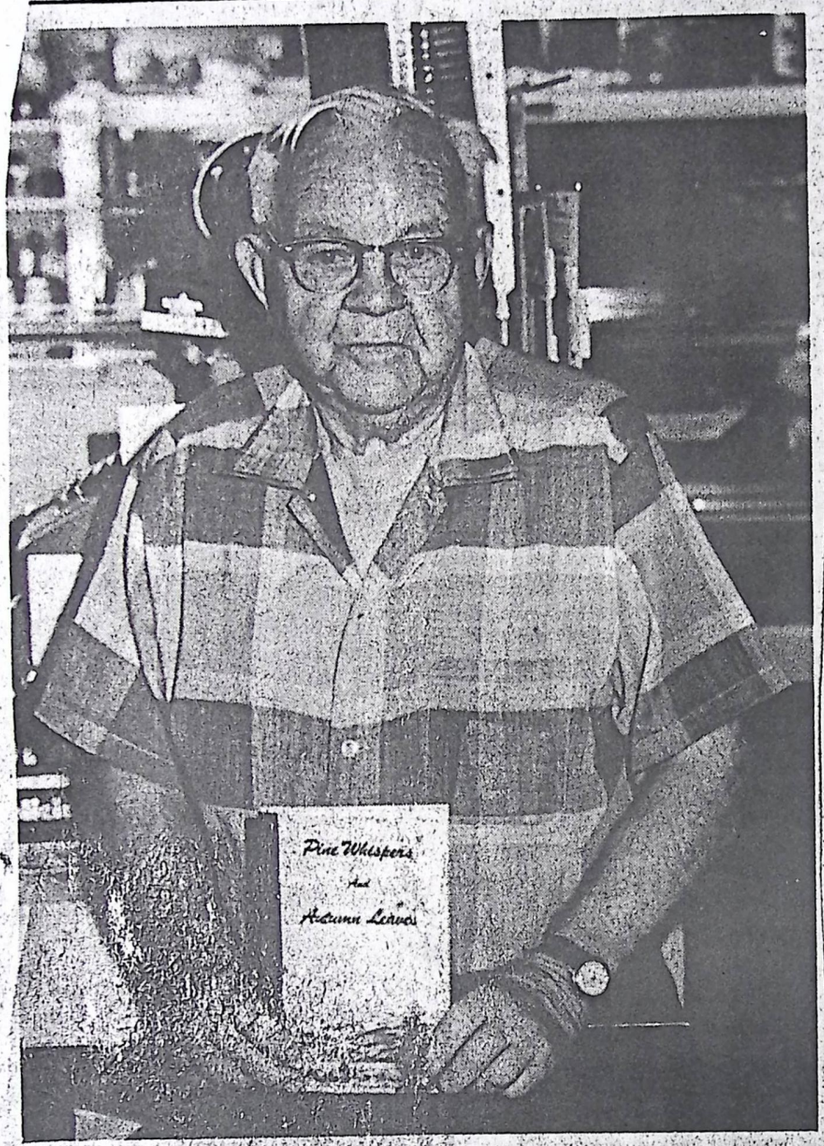
She was born Sept. 29, 1906, in Herne, Westfalen, Germany, to Adolf Starbatti and Auguste Starbatti-Burske. She married Charles Krauser Feb. 8, 1936, in Bern, Switzerland. The marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The couple moved to the U.S. in 1948 from Switzerland. Mrs. Krauser was an active member of the LDS Church, serving in its MIA, Relief Society and Sunday School programs.

Survivors Listed

Survivors include her husband; two daughters and a son, Mrs. John (Erna) Calhoon, Tempe, Ariz.; Mrs. Robert (Martha) McGhee, San Diego, Calif.; Charles E., Los Angeles, Calif.; 14 grandchildren and two brothers, Auguste Weber, Basel, Switzerland, and Berta Paul, Luedensheid, Germany.

Funeral services will be Saturday at noon in the Highland Park LDS Ward Chapel, 2535 Douglas St. Friends may call Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. at 3251-23rd East and at the ward chapel an hour before services Saturday. Burial will be in the Elysian Burial Gardens.



GUY E. COLEMAN

Midway's unofficial poet laureate

Among those most anxiously awaiting the newest volume of Guy Coleman's poems are many who normally don't like to read poetry.

Coleman's verses appeal to a wider audience than high school English students or others who regularly consume poetry for enjoyment.

People who have grown up in Wasatch County can see their own experiences, their own landmarks, and their own longings expressed in Coleman's poems.

For those of us who grew up elsewhere, Coleman's appreciation of his relationship with nature has a universal ring.

Updated edition

The printing of an updated edition of Guy Coleman's poetry, entitled "Pine Whispers and Autumn Dreams," has just been completed. It is on sale in Midway at Coleman's Store, and will also be sold at a booth during Swiss Days.

Since the first edition of "Pine Whispers" came out in 1967, there has been a steady demand for copies. Included in the new version is a section of previously unpublished material written within the last 10 years.

Coleman's work has been published by the Utah State Poetry Society and in several other publications. Yet having his words set down in print is not a primary goal.

'Just for pleasure'

"I write for myself, mostly," Coleman says "—just for pleasure."

He believes that to express what he sees and feels helps him to appreciate those feelings.

"I think there's so much beauty in the world that we see and don't express," he says.

At the same time, he hopes that his poetry will help others to see a more beautiful world.

Coleman, who is in his eighties, sounds as if he wouldn't change much if he had his life to begin again.

"I haven't grieved about too much," he says. "I've enjoyed life and I believe that's got something to do with my health."

Commissioner 30 years

Guy Coleman was a member of the Wasatch County Commission for 30 years and was financially successful as the owne of Coleman's Store in Midway. Yet he doe not place much value in material goods.

The most valuable things in life, such a friendship and beauty, are free, he says.

Coleman describes poetry as "the tende thoughts of mankind expressed in the beauty of language."

From the wealth of tender thoughts contained in his new book of verse, this one seems particularly appropriate in describing it s author:

Little does the creator of a revealing poem,
The composer of a sweet song,
The author of a true philosophy
Or the painter of an inspiring scene
Realize how many dark
Caverns of the souls of men
Are illuminated by their shafts of light.

Midway Swiss Days chairman named

Feb. 17, 1978

Ralph Britsch of Midway has been selected as general chairman for this year's Swiss Days program. Florence Britsch, his wife, will serve as co-chairman.

The choice was made by the board of directors of the Midway Boosters Club.

Ralph Britsch has been a member of the faculty at Brigham Young University for 39 years. He will retire from full-time teaching at the end of the present semester, but intends to continue to teach on a part-time basis.

Currently professor of Humanities and Comparative Literature, Britsch is a former chairman of the BYU English department, former chairman of the Humanities department, and served for two years as acting dean of the College of Humanities. He is the editor and author of several books.

Swiss Days will be held on the Friday and Saturday before Labor Day. It will feature the traditional parades, Swiss market and entertainment programs.

Members of the Midway Boosters' board of directors include Mr. and Mrs. John Eberhardt, Mr. and Mrs. Ferrin Whitaker, Dr. and Mrs. Clayton Prince, Alan Madsen, LeRoy Kohler, Marguerite and Matilda Huber and Stephen Beck.

Ralph Britsch

MIDWAY — Ralph Britsch of Midway, a professor of Humanities and Comparative Literature at BYU, has been selected as general chairman for the 1977 Swiss Days celebration to be held Sept. 2 and 3 this year.

His wife, Florence Britsch, will serve as co-chairman.

The choice was made by the board of directors of the Midway Boosters Club.

Mr. Britsch has taught at BYU for 39 years, and plans to retire from full-time teaching this April. He will continue to teach on a part-time basis.

Mr. Britsch has served as chairman of the BYU English department, humanities department, and was acting dean of the College of Humanities for two years. He also has authored several books.

Swiss Days is a traditional Midway celebration honoring the Swiss people who founded the town.

Members of the Midway Boosters board of directors include Mr. and Mrs. John Eberhardt, Mr. and Mrs. Ferrin Whitaker, Dr. and Mrs. Clayton Prince, Alan Madsen, LeRoy Kohler, Marguerite and Matilda Huber and Stephen Beck.

Swiss Days announces policies for market

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Midway to select Family of the Year

Plans for the selection of a Midway Family of the Year were announced Monday by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Britsch, co-chairmen of Midway Swiss Days for 1977, and John F. Eberhardt, president of the Midway Boosters Club.

The Family of the Year will represent Midway in parades and other activities throughout Wasatch County and elsewhere in 1977. Current plans are to feature the family, dressed in Swiss Costumes and riding a floar decorated in Swiss tradition, in parades in Kamas, Heber, and Charleston. The float will be a highlight of the Midway Swiss Days parade on September 3. The Family of the Year will also be honored in connection with the Swiss Days musical to be presented on the evenings of September 2 and 3.

The Family of the Year will be chosen as being representative of family life in Midway. School, community and church activities will also be considered by the committee making the selection.

The Swiss Miss Contest, a feature of previous Swiss Days festivals, will be discontinued, according to a decision made by the Board of Directors of the Boosters Club and the Swiss Days general committee.

Co-chairmen of the Family of the Year selection committee are Matilda and Marguerite Huber. Other members of the committee are Maxine and Reed Gertsch, Lona and Austin Kelly, Loraine and Harold Abegglen, and Clyde and Della Alder.

Clarence Probst to be honored by Swiss Days committee

Plans to honor Clarence Probst, longtime director and producer of Midway's Swiss Days musical program, and his wife Verna, also actively involved in the productions, have been announced by the Swiss Days general committee. Mr. and Mrs. Probst will be paid a special tribute in connection with the Swiss Days program on September 2 and 3.

Mr. Probst has asked to be released from his responsibilities as musical director of the program. He and Mrs. Probst will assist in the organizing of the chorus and in other aspects of the production. Ferrin and Martha Whitaker will be co-producers of the Festival program for 1977, and Clayton and Joy Prince will be in charge of the music. Mrs. Prince, co-director of last year's chorus, will be the director this year. Mabel Mitchell, stage director, has written what the committee describes as a delightful and moving background story for the musical, and Andrew Mitchell will play a prominent dramatic role. Other cast members will be announced soon, and the chorus will begin rehearsals in a few weeks.

Clarence Probst has long been prominently identified not only with Swiss Days festivals, in which he has played a key role, but with all of Midway's musical activities. Born in Midway to John U. and Susanna Gertsch Probst, he received most of his elementary and secondary school training in the schools of Midway and Heber but was graduated from BYU High School in Provo. He enrolled as a music major in Brigham Young University, specializing in the clarinet. Here his education was interrupted by some months of military service (his company was ready to go overseas when World War I ended) and by teaching for several years in Midway. Returning to BYU, he was a clarinetist in the military band under the direction of the well-known Prof. Robert Sauer. He was graduated in 1924 with a major in music and minors in education and history.

For the next few years, Mr. Probst taught in several schools in Wasatch and Summit counties--first Midway, then Charleston, and then Kamas, where he was principal. After two years in Idaho, he spent two years as a fulltime teacher of band and vocal music in North Cache High School, Richmond. Returning to Midway, he served for twenty years as principal of Midway Elementary School until his retirement at 63. In the meantime he had suffered a severe heart attack, but he has outlived his doctor's predictions by many years.

Always much involved in music, he taught two- and three-part singing to hundreds of school children in Midway. He also directed a number of school, community, and MIA operas, including "Robin Hood" and "In Old Vienna." For many years he directed the Midway First Ward choir and also served for a time as superintendent of the Sunday School.

When Midway began its Harvest Days festival in 1953, Clarence arranged the program and directed the first chorus, with twelve members in the group. When the festival became "Swiss Days" about twenty years ago, he continued to select the music and direct the chorus, which grew to about 45 members. In fact, he says, immediately after one year's program was finished he began selecting music for the next. Many local singers testify to the infectious enthusiasm with which he did his directing. "The festival program was my greatest delight and chief interest," he says, "in fact, my only recreation except fishing." He also organized a small orchestra to play special numbers and to accompany others. In this he was assisted by Dr. David Shand of the University of Utah. Early in the history of Swiss Days "The Happy Wanderer," a song brought from Europe by his wife, became the theme song of Swiss Days.

Prior to his military service Clarence Probst was married to Mary Christensen, a school teacher from Salina. They had two children--Clarence, of Midway and Shirley Allred of Salt Lake City. There are eight grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren. Clarence's wife Mary died in 1969.

Four years ago Clarence was married to Verna Berg. Born in Murray, she is a graduate of Murray High School and of the University of Utah. In 1966 she received a master's degree from the U of U, with a major in psychology and minors in speech and English. She began her teaching career in Roosevelt, came to Midway, and taught in Midway and Heber school until 1961. While here, she served for a time as president of Wasatch Teachers Associaton. She also taught English in Wasatch High School one year. Then she returned to her home town and taught in Murray (where she also served as a school counselor) until her retirement last year. A special interest in languages took her to the University of Madrid for one summer, where she studied Spanish.

Verna has also made important contributions to the cultural life of Midway. While teaching here she helped with the costuming and staging of both the operas and the Swiss Days presentations. She was president of the Garden Club for three years. Always involved in church activities, she has taught in most of the auxiliaries of the LDS Church and has served on MIA and Sunday School stake boards in three stakes. In recent years, she has been librarian and secretary of the Swiss Days choruses and currently is serving as secretary of the Midway Boosters Club.

Midway Swiss Days Open

With Midway's Swiss Days being held Friday and Saturday, the tempo of last-minute preporations and related activities is reaching a high pitch, accoridng to Ralph and Florence Britsch, general chairmen.

Highlights of the festival will be the traditional parades on Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m. The theme for the parades is "The Family: Swiss and American."

Dozens of Midway families are expected to participate dressed in Swiss costumes — some walking, some in decorated wagons, cars and trucks. Each child who participates will receive a surprise, and prizes will be given for the three best family units and the two best floats. Guests of the Homestead will serve as judges.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVon Hair and Mr.a and Mrs. Bill Muse have been involved in planning the parade.

Rehearsals for a musical, "Love Story, Swiss Style," have been held for weeks under writer and director Mabel Mitchell. Joy Prince is musical director, Florence Britsch is accompanist, and Ferrin Whitaker as general manager.

Leading roles will be played and sung by Karen Springer and Gene Rasband. Andrew Mitchell and Dylan Kohler will be narrators. The musical will be presented at 7:30 p.m. both Friday and Saturday.

A record number of Midway families and out-of-town guests are expected to attend the Swiss Days breakfast from 6:30 to 10 a.m. on Saturday. The breakfast committee is headed by Grant Shelton.

More participants than ever before — nearly 40 — will have booths in the Swiss Market, which will be open Friday afternoon and all day Saturday. A large variety of foods, arts and crafts objects, etc., many of them Swiss oriented, will be available for purchase. Dennis Clegg and Lince Pugh head the booth committee.

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Lions Club of Midway.

Ruby Provost and Ed Dolinger led the planning for two of the festival's most colorful events — a flower show to be held both days in the Council Room of the Town Hall, and the arts and crafts show in the Valley Art Center on Town Square. Dorothy Van Wagoner is in charge of the crafts.

The final event of Swiss Days, a dance in the Town Hall under the direction of the Mitchells, will feature the music of the well - known Snowbird Swiss orchestra.

Important roles in planning for the festival have been played by Terry Bronson, editor of the annual booklet; Mr. and Mrs. Alma Huber, heads of the committee that mans the information booth, and Ray Falk and Daniel Ballsteadt, who will supervise parking. Four special parking lots near the town square are being prepared.

THE LOWELL JOHNSON family of Midway will be featured as the Family of the Year at the Annual Swiss Days parades Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m. They pose by the gazebo which has been donated by Midway Boosters Club to the city. At back are Mr. and Mrs. Johnson. The boys are Lynn and Benjamin and the girls are Jane, Annette and Audry.

May 12, 1977

Lowell Johnson family: top row left-to-right, Jane, Lynn, Barbara, Lowell, Annette. Bottom row: Benjamin, Audrey.

Midway honors Johnson family

Lowell and Barbara Johnson and their five children have been selected as Midway Family of the Year for 1977, according to an announcement made Monday by Ralph A. Birtsch, chairman of Midway Swiss Days, and John Eberhardt, president of the Midway Boosters Club. Co-chairmen of the selection committee are Marguerite and Matilda Huber.

As Family of the Year the Johnsons will represent Midway in various community and patriotic activities throughout Wastach and Summit Counties. Dressed in Swiss costumes, they will appear on a float in parades in Kamas, Heber, and Charleston. They will be featured in the parade and programs of the Midway Swiss Days festival on September 2 and 3.

The Johnson family was chosen by the committee as being representative of the best aspects of family, church, and community life in Midway. The annual selection of a Family of the Year will replace the Swiss Miss contest which has been a feature of past Swiss Days activities.

The Lowell Johnsons and their children, apart from their close family life and busy involvement in community, church and school affairs, probably have one interst in common more than any other--thier enthusiasm for music. Another fact in common is that all of them were born in Midway, have lived there most or all of their lives there, and have all attended Midway Elementary School.

Lowell Johnson, son of Bishop George Johnson and the late Jenny Johnson, finished his elementary schooling in Midway and was graduated from Wasatch High School, where he participated in school plays, played clarinet in the band (he still "plays at" the piano, he says), and gave commencement addresses for both his seminary class and his 1952 high school graduating class. He attended Brigham Young University for a year and then was called to serve an LDS mission in Hawaii. On his return he was employed by an abstract and title firm in Heber and at the same time served in the National Guard, with six months active duty at Ford Ord. He and Barbara Bonner were married in the Salt Lake Temple in 1959.

Lowell worked as a licensed abstractor for fifteen years. Currently he is employed by the Division of State Lands, Department of Natural Resources, as a land specialist.

Lowell served in the Bishopric of the Midway First Ward in 1970-71 and has been a teacher in numerous Sunday School and Priesthood classes (a highly effective one, according to this interviewer). He also served a stake mission. He was appointed Midway town clerk for three years and was for several years a member of the board of directors of the Boosters Club. In 1970 he was president of the Boosters Club and general chairman of the Swiss Days Festival. "That was the year we were rained out--or in," he says. He speaks disparagingly of that year's festival, but others remember it as one of the most enjoyable if not financially profitable of Swiss Days celebrations. An unusually busy man, he still finds time for an occasional golf game, and he sings in the First Ward choir.

Barbara Johnson, daughter of Floyd and Lois Bonner, completed her elementary and high school education in Midway and Heber. An accomplished pianist, she accompanied numerous high school choruses and soloists, often as successful competitors in statewide contests. But she found time to distinguish herself as a student, as a secretary for some of her teachers (she especially enjoyed business classes), and as an officer of the Pep Club. After completing high school in 1956 she attended LDS Business College for a time and then enrolled at Utah State University. There she was a member of the honary scholastic society and of a folk dancing group in which she was both dancer and accompanist. But her engagement to Lowell brought her home to Midway. Both before and after her marriage she worked for a time at the First Security Bank in Heber.

While rearng her family, Barbara has continually served in various Church positions. In addition she acted for ten years as accompanist for the Swiss Days choruses. Currently she is MIA secretary and ward organist. She has taught many piano lessons, and now works each morning as secretary at the Midway Elementary School.

The Johnson children are all fine students (the older ones are regularly on the honor rolls in high school) and are all enthusiastic about music. Lynn, a junior in high school, plays trombone in the stage band and tuba in the school band; he also sings in the award-winning Wasatch High School acapella choir. He is interested in mechanics and electronics and works part time for a service station in Midway. Jane, a sophmore, is a pianist who has played for the junior Sunday School. But she also loves tennis, has been president of her class and organist in MIA, has worked at the golf course and Homestead, and now works part time for a restaurant in Heber.

Annette, a ninth grader, is a versatile musician who plays baritone saxaphone and clarinet in the school and stage bands and is organist for the junior Sunday School. A swimming and tennis enthusiast, she works part time at the Homestead and is an officer of FVA. Benjamin, who is nine, is a third

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Front Row: Ralph A. Britsch, president; Bill Muse, vice president; Marguerite Huber, secretary; Adalee Muse.
Not present: Mabel Mitchell, Florence Britsch, Steve and Ellen Beck, Robert and Barbara Mathis, John Eberhardt.

elect new officers

Officers of the Midway Boosters Club for 1978 were chosen at a recent meeting of the board of directors of the club. Those elected were Ralph A. Britsch, president; Bill Muse, vice president; and Marguerite Huber, secretary.

The board of directors of the Boosters Club, elected at the last general meeting of the members, consists of the following: Clarence and Verna Probst, Bill and Adalee Muse, Andrew and Mabel Mitchell, Steve and Ellen Beck, Robert and Barbara Mathis, Ralph and Florence Britsch, Marguerite and Matilda Huber, and Max and Dolores Scheel.

Advisory members include John Eberhardt, past president; Mayor Eugene Probst; Bishop LeRoy Kohler and Bishop Norman Kohler; Clara Lundin, president of the Garden Club; Leland Ivers, Sr., president of the Lions Club; Lorraine Abegglen, president of the Home Culture Club; and Alice Jacobson, president of Midway Daughters of the Pioneers.

As in past years, the two major programs to be sponsored by the Boosters Club will be the Fourth of July breakfast and patriotic program and the activities of Swiss Days, to be held Sept. 1 and 2. Chairmen and committees for these events will be announced soon.

Other plans include the addition of a clock and electrical wiring to the carousel bandstand that appeared prominently in several parades and celebrations last year. A committee will be appointed to lead out in a summer entertainment program, enlarging on the successful band concerts that were held last summer.

Another committee will lay plans for a winter sports program for people of all ages in Midway and the Valley. The board of directors welcomes suggestions for other worthwhile activities.

Back row: Mr. Leon Huffaker, Jay, Mrs. Jayne Huffaker, Tanya [asleep] and Jolyn. Front row: Shauna and Amy.

Midway announces family of the year

Mr. and Mrs. Leon C. Huffaker and their five children have been selected as Midway Family of the Year for 1978, according to an announcement from the Boosters Club.

The selection was made by a committee consisting of Marguerite and Matilda Huber, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Clayburn, and Mr. and Mrs. LaVon Hair, representing the Boosters Club.

The Huffakers are the second Midway family to be honored in this way [illegible] Days program the evenings of Sept. 1 and 2.

Leon and Jayne Huffaker and their family have been chosen as being representative of Midway's ideals of family life. In addition to being supporters of church, school, and community activities, they are brought closer together by an unusual family interest in the recreational and outdoor activities that the valley affords.

born and brought up in Heber, where she received her education. She is the oldest of the five children of Jay C. and Ruth Sulser.

She is an active housewife and mother, but she also finds time to serve in the Church and to share in her husband's outdoor activities. She is now serving as First Counselor in her Ward Primary organization, a position she has held for four years. Her hobbies along

past three years. He is a Cub Scout, a member of the Cowboys riding club, and of the Yankees in Little League baseball. He raises rabbits, pheasants, and turkeys, and like his father he enjoys hunting.

Amy Sue is seven, and she too is a dance student. In fact, dancing is her main interest right now, but she also loves bicycling and being with her friends. Her attendance record in Primary

The Larry Bonner family has been chosen as the Swiss Family of The Year.

Swiss Family chosen for Midway '79-'80

Larry and Ellen Bonner and their children have been chosen to represent Midway as the community's Swiss Family of the Year for 1979. The selection is announced by LeRoy Kohler, chairman of Swiss Days; Ralph A. Britsch, president of the Boosters Club; and Dennis Clegg, chairman of the selection committee.

The Bonners are the third family to be so honored in Midway. First were the Lowell Johnsons in 1977, followed by the family of Leon Huffaker in 1978. The Swiss Family of the Year for 1979, chosen as representative of the highest ideals of the community in family life, church and community service, appeared on the Swiss

raised in Los Angeles and in Burley, Idaho. She was graduated from Burley High School, attended Ricks College, and was graduated from BYU with a secondary teaching accreditation. She served an LDS mission in Denmark, being one of the two last lady missionaries to serve there. She has worked in a number of places in Salt Lake, including DMBA Insurance Company, the LDS Microfilm Archives in Little Cottonwood Canyon, and as a teacher in the LDS Mission Home. She now serves as membership chairman of the Wasatch County Republican Women's Study Group and as Junior Primary chorister.

The Bonners relate that they were made acquainted on a blind

Kuhni named Grand Marshal

The Chairman of the parade to be held in conjunction with the Midway 'Swiss Days' celebration, Reed Bezzant, has announced the choice of Grand Marshall.

According to Bezzant, Ernest Kuhni of Midway, is one of the oldest living immigrants to the Midway area, and so they have selected him to fill the position of Grand Marshall.

Kuhni will be riding in the parade and will preside over the activities.

Ernest Kuhni was born at Langnau, Bern, Switzerland March 28, 1894. His father, Ulrich Kuhni, was in the Postal Service in Langnau when the LDS missionaries contacted the family in 1900.

One was Gottleib Kohler, grandfather of the present Kohler men now in Midway. The family knew immediately they wanted to join the church and eventually emigrate to Utah. It took until early March 1906 to save enough money for their fares.

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Fredie Haueter, another missionary at the time helped them pack. The family consisted of father, mother, Ern, Paul, Fred, Rosie, and Otto, and Mrs. Kuhni's mother. They sailed in March 1906 and landed 7 days later after a trip filled with seasickness and wonderment. They came straight to utah. They got off the train in Charleston and were met by Emil Kohler, who took them home and fed them a good hot meal, the first hot meal since they left home. That evening Emil took them to his father's home in Midway. They stayed a few days with father Kohler then moved to the house where Mrs. Geo. LaFay lives today.

In the fall of 1906 the family moved to the old Kuhni house on the corner of Main Street and River Road. The two older boys were farmed out to different farmers in the county and never spent much time in Midway.

Ernest Kuhni has been selected to be the Swiss Days Parade Grand Marshall.

In the fall of 1917 Ern and Paul were called into the service to fight for their adopted country. Ern left Heber the first part of November and was assigned to the 1st Div. 16th Infantry and was in the trenches in France by early Jan. 1918. He served in the Cantigny, St. Mihil, Meuse Argonne and several smaller offensives. When peace was won his Division was called for the Army of Occupation in Germany. On coming home he joined the American Legion and has been a member ever since.

In 1922 he married Viola Bunnell. They are the parents of three children, only jack surviving.

Ern was employed by the Park Utah Maines from 1922 until 1962 when he retired. He has worked in all the church organizations, the Sunday School and MIA presidencies, the Bishoprics, and as Ward Clerk and High Priest group leader for many years. He filled a Stake Mission from 1934 to 1937.

We honor Mr. Kuhni for his faithfulness, for his honestry and his service to his fellow men.

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Nelson to speak at Fourth program

June 21, '79

Dr. Russell M. Nelson, internationally known heart surgeon and General President of the Sunday Schools of the LDS Church, will be the featured speaker in Midway's Fourth of July program. The selection of Dr. Nelson, also widely known as a public speaker, has been announced by Dr. and Mrs. William Clayaton, co-chairmen of Fourth of July activities in Midway under the sponsorship of the Boosters Club.

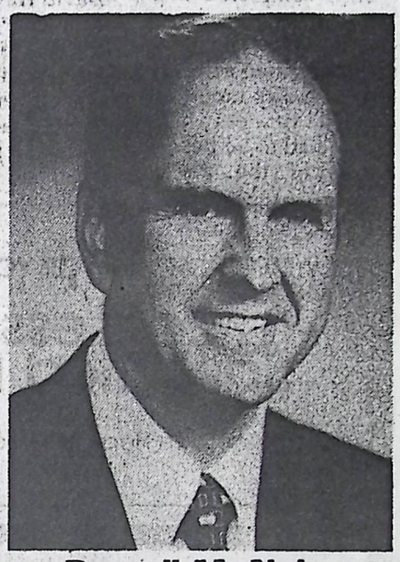
The program, to begin with flag-raising ceremonies at 7 a.m. on Town Square, will also feature music by the combined choirs of the Midway wards, under the direction of Elma Rae Horrocks. Florence Britsch will be the accompanist.

An important feature of the day will be the traditional breakfast, to be served from 8 to 9:30 on Town Square. The members of the breakfast committee, Karl North, Rex Barrett, and Roger Urry, plan an outstanding meal for townpeople and visitors who attend.

Midway families and their visitors are encouraged to bring their picnic lunches and enjoy each other's company on Town Square later in the afternoon. The day's activities will conclude with a band concert by the Wasatch County Communiaty Band, under the direction of ElRoy Van Wagoner. The concert will begin at 6 p.m.

Dr. Nelson, his wife Dantzel, and their ten children have a summer home in Midway and spend occasional weekends there. Dr. Nelson, who has medical and other degrees from the University of Utah and the University of Minnisota, has been the recipient of numerous honors and awards, including an honorary doctorate from Brigham Young University, a Distinguished Alumni Award from the University of Utah, a Distinguished Service Award from the Utah State Medical Association, and the Golden Plate Award of the American Academy of Achievement (June 1979). He is Research Professor of Surgery in the University of Utah College of Medicine and chairman of the heart surgery division of LDS Hospital. He is a member of many professional societies and of national and international committees in the area of heart surgery. These include the chairmanship of the Council on Cardiovascular Surgery of the American Heart Association.

Dr. Nelson is listed in American Men and Women of Science, Who's Who in America, and Who's Who in the World. In addition to his position as General President of the Sunday School, he serves on the boards of a number of public service groups, including the Promised Valley Playhouse and the Utah Symphony.



Russell M. Nelson

Wasatch Report

State Rodeo Finals

Rodeo State Finals started today with the first round competition beginning at 3pm.

The State Finals are here and being hosted by the Wasatch Chamber of Commerce. This is the third year that the finals have been held at Wasatch.

Peter's To Speak On History

Ron Peters of Lubaugh, Texas, representing Craftsmen Printers will be speaking about writing a county history Monday, June 25th. The public is invited to attend.

Kamas Valley Fiesta Days Parade

On July 21, 1979 at 6:00pm, the Kamas Valley Fiesta Days Parade will be held.

If you would like to enter the parade, contact Gary or Karen McCormick, P.O. Box 85, Kamas, Utah, or phone 783-4408.

The deadline for all entries is July 14, 1979.

Midway elects co-chairmen for 4th of July

P ...am and Erla Young are this years co-chairmen for Midway 4th ... activities.

Midway Boosters Club President Andrew Mitchell and the club's board of directors have announced that co-chairmen for this year's Fourth of July activities in Midway will be Brigham S. and Erla Young. The Young's are now serving as three-year members of the Boosters Club Board.

Preliminary plans for the Fourth call for a flag-raising sunrise service on Memorial Hill at 7 a.m. Dedication ceremonies for the new facilities on the hill will be conducted by Pete Coleman, Wasatch County Commissioner, and Kent Berg, Director of the County Public Works Department. Mr. Berg has supervised the improvements on the hill.

Featured speaker on the patriotic program will be Utah's Federal Judge Aldon J. Anderson. Merilyn Urry, with Vickie Cluff as accompanist, will lead the combined choirs of the three Midway LDS Wards in three musical numbers.

The day's activities will continue with a chuckwagon breakfast on town square for all residents and visitors. At 9 a.m. a 10,000 meter foot race will begin. Prizes and awards will be given to the winners, and all are invited to participate. Details will be announced later.

Picnicking on the town square and a band concert by the Wasatch Community Band, under the direction of Elroy Van Wagoner are scheduled for the afternoon and evening, and the concluding event will be a dance in town hall to the music of Horst Vidal and his Snowbird Orchestra.

The Youngs have been residents of Midway for five years. Brigham Spencer Young is the proud namesake of President Brigham Young and the oldest son down to the fifth generation. Erla's great-grandparents were Danish immigrants who settled in Sanpete County. Both are proud of their colorful heritage. Brigham V. is a decorated World War II veteran. He served in France, Belgium, and Germany with the Fifth Division of Field Artillery, under General George Patton. He attended the University of Utah, London University, and the University of California in Berkeley. He has had a career in banking, finance and insurance. He currently serves as senior president of the Seventies quorum of the Heber Stake in the LDS Church.

Mr. Young has been an avid tennis player since childhood. He has won many tournaments and has been ranked in intermountain and national tournaments. He has served on the tennis boards of Salt Lake, Utah, and the Intermountain Region and on the nominating committee of the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association. Currently he is helping in the Boosters Club to encourage Little League tennis in this area.

Erla Young is a painter illustrator, writer and designer She and her husband moved t Midway in large part to help he pursue a painting career in th heart of this picturesque country. She is now on the staff at Brigham Young University, where she teaches classes in fashion illustrating.

The Youngs have four children and eight grandchildren. One daughter lives in Baumholder, Germany. The other three are near and often visit Midway with their children.

Bookmobile service discontinued

Memorial Day Honoring ones past

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Midway's Honored Citizen

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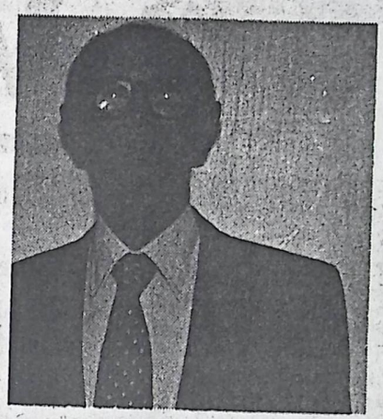

Joe Probst

Joe has a strong testimony of the truthfullness of the Gospel and at the age of 86, he with Garnet, enjoys life and are interested in their children and their lives.

Midway's honored citizen succumbs

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Advisory committee organized

Wasatch County School District is interested in establishing an advisory committee to give input in regards to those programs designed to serve students with special educational needs.

The programs involved are the Chapter I (formerly Title I) program, the program for handicapped students, and the Special Needs program. All of these programs serve students who for a variety of reasons have some difficulty in school related skill development.

As the needs of our community change, it is felt the focus and direction of these programs should reflect those changes and community involvement is desired.

Anyone interested in working with this group on a volunteer basis should contact Marilyn Baird at the Wasatch Middle School, 654-0550.

Who's Who of Women 1982

By Fawn Kohler

Leathe Tatge

Lethe Tatge has received another honor, one of the really high honors of the world.

The World Who's Who of Women 1982, printed by International Biographical Centre, Cambridge, CB230:. England. The book tells Lethe's story which she received in time for her 89th birthday, Tues. Dec 28, 1982.

Tatge, Lethe Belle Coleman, born Dec. 28, 1893, Midway, Utah, U.S.A. Teacher; Actress; Public Speaker; Lecturer; Educated at the University of Utah; Brigham Young University. Married Francis C. Tatge, 1935. Appointments include Teacher, Midway Grade School, Wasatch High School. Lecturer; Chautauqua and Tours.

Appeared in 17 movies. Publications she assisted in writing and publishing are Under Wasatch Skies, How Beautiful Upon the Mountains.

Memberships include: Theta Alpha Phi, National Thespian Society, International platform Association, Daughters of Utah Pioneers, Daughters of American Revolution, State Historical Society, Wasatch County Chamber of Commerce, Wasatch Co. Senior Citizens Council. Honors include: Various awards for Community Service.

Address, 5 E. Main St., Midway, Utah, 84049 U.S.A.

It doesn't say anything about the hundreds of all ages who revere her as "Aunt Lethe" who go to her for advice, council, mothering and love. Nor did they say anything about the lady who has taught the same Sunday School Class "Gospel Message to teen agers for 32 years." That is longer than anyone else in the L.D.S. Church. She also, during that time sang with the Ward Choir which she still does. She and Stella Luke have been Relief Society Visiting Teachers together for 15 years with 100 percent.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO A GREAT LADY!!!

New Stake formed in Heber Valley

1983

HEBER CITY—Members of Heber Valley's two Latter-Day Saints Stakes were divided, giving way to a third stake.

Elder Marvin J. Ashton, of the Council of the Twelve Apostles, presided at the March 27th Heber Stake Conference. Elder Carlos Asay also presided at the Heber East Stake Conference.

The new stake created was the Midway Utah Stake. It became the newest stake in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and uniquely would remain so for several weeks.

Wards incorporated into the new Midway Stake were: Charleston, Wallsburg, Midway 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th.

Midway Stake's new leadership went as follows: Wayne W. Probst, Stake President; Gary M. Coleman, First Counselor; Sharron J. Winterton, Second Counselor. Executive Secretary is Forrest Hunt, and Stake Clerk is Don Knight.

High Council consists of Don Buehner, Randy Borland, Bing Christensen, Ray Gertsch, Daryl Gibb, Michael Bronson, Mark Wilson, Wayne Huffaker, Norman Kohler, DeVon Mower, Clair Provost, and Roy Remund.

Heber Stake was reorganized with Harvey G. Horner as Stake President, Mervin Beckstrand as First Counselor, and Sheldon Case as Second Counselor.

Executive Secretary is Clyde Montgomery and Stake Clerk is Frances Harrison, with Chad Duke as Assistant Stake Clerk.

High Councilmen are Fred Clarke, Tom Watson, Ken Lee, Clyde Muir, Stan De Friez, Glade Tregaskis, James North, Kent Larsen, Ed Furness, Jim Cochran, Keith Horner, and David Giles.

Heber East Stake retained Larry Duke as its' Stake President with Phil Wright as First Counselor and Loren Allred as Second Counselor.

Executive Secretary is Richard Nicol ,Stake Clerk is Jerry Jones, and Assistant Stake Clerk is Ricky Coleman.

New High Council members are Keith Jacobsen and Brian Winegar. Continuing members are Harris Parcell, Dale Berg, Richar McGuire, Melvin Carlile, Ra Peterson, Jim Holmes, Charle Jenkins, Kent Ellerton, Rand Hansen, Joe Anderson, Dal Bethers, and Tom Carman.

Midway Boosters

The Midway Booster's Club and the church Swiss Days Committee have been working conjunctively to find patterns that would be suitable for the Swiss Days celebration. Each of the Midway Relief Societies now have five multiple-size dirndle patterns that can be used by ward members. These same patterns can be purchased through the Fabric Shop, 4711 S. Holladay Blvd., Holladay and through Family Fabrics in the University Mall, Orem and at 1598 S. Main, Bountiful.

There will be a big push this year to costume the vendors on the square and to dress those who work in the church booths. So if you have a costume, be sure to wear it; if you don't we would urge you to get one. Costumes add so much to the atmosphere of Swiss Days and with the growth of Swiss Days each year, costuming becomes more important. If you have any questions about costuming, contact your ward Relief Society president or Connie Patton.

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for county residents (non-residents fees are higher): booths (8' X 8') with electric outlet on request, $50.00; maxi-space (10' X 15') $52.00; regular space (10' X 10') $35.00; art space (ISA area) $15.00.

Applications for booth/space rentals are available from Jerry Springer. It should be noted that no applications for the sale of food will be accepted.

In keeping with the purpose and theme of the Swiss Market, all persons working in the spaces/booths are asked to be dressed in Swiss Costume. Patterns are available, as is information on appropriate Swiss Dress. Contact Jerry Springer 654-2554 or Fran Anderson, 654-3093.

1983

The new Swiss Miss for Midway's Swiss Days has been chosen and are actively promoting Swiss Days. Siwss Miss is Angie Giles, her attendants are Heather Kelson and Carolyn Toronto.

Midway's Swiss Miss and attendants

The 1982-83 Swiss Miss and her attendants are already busy representing their home town of Midway, Utah. They have been to Springville and Orem and will spend a great deal of time as the summer progresses in Wasatch, Utah and Salt Lake counties promoting Midway's Swiss Days Celebration, to be held Sept. 2 and 3 this year.

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2A Wasatch Wave Heber City, UT 84032 Thursday, August 4, 19

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'84 Swiss Days

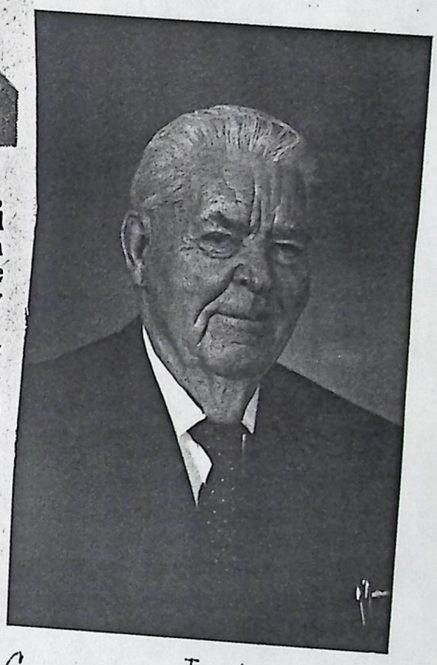
Midway Honors George Johnson

In connection with Midway's annual Swiss Days, the Midway Boosters' Club have named their outstanding Citizen for 1984. Chosen for the honor this year is George W. Johnson, a life-long resident of Midway, and one who has given countless hours of service to neighbors and friends and citizens not only of Midway but of other towns in Heber Valley.

George Johnson

Mr. Johnson was born July 9, 1901 in Heber City, Utah. He was born in the little house east of town on Mill Road, where his father, Nels Johnson, was running the mill. His mother was Mary Ann Orgill, the oldest of 14 children, whose parents had come to Utah as immigrants from England. When George was very small his father bought the flour mill in Midway, and the home where Doctors Ferguson now live. The family ran the mill and farmed the acreage there, raising pigs, cows, chickens, and farm crops. They also cut ice from the mill pond and buried it in sawdust for use in iceboxes in the summer. The children learned to work hard at an early age.

George had a busy active childhood, but was plagued all of his life by a blood condition which made any form of surgery difficult and also caused other problems. He attended school in Midway, then in Heber, getting there either by walking or riding a horse, or going by horse-drawn sleigh in winter. George was in high school during World War I, when the Government considered flour mills as an essential industry. They set up a quota for each one, and the mill was run 24 hours a day to meet the quota. George ran the mill at night and his father would run it during the day. This, of course, interfered somewhat with his education. The family was close-knit, and under their mother's direction, active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



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Sept 1984

George served a mission call to the Southern States Mission, and served for 30 months in Arkansas, under somewhat difficult circumstances, since the church was the subject of much prejudice in that area. He walked many hundreds of miles, and had experiences which have stayed with him through his lifetime. He also became a man with firm convictions, wisdom, and compassion for his fellowmen. When he returned home he married his sweetheart, Jennie Pyper, and they began their married life in Heber. He farmed, worked in his father's mill in Midway, and was active in the old Heber First Ward. For a time the family lived in Lakeview, west of Provo, while he worked as a poultry buyer for Swift and Company and ran a small feed store. Five children were born to George and Jennie, three of whom still live in Midway: Max and Lowell Johnson, and Georgia Dawn Clegg. A small son, Keith, died in infancy, and a daughter, Ruth Anne, died when she was eighteen in an automobile accident.

George has served long and well in many capacities. He was a member of the Wasatch Stake High Council, a counselor to the Bishop in the Midway First Ward, and then Bishop of that ward for eight years. His wisdom, experience and good judgement were called upon many times in the giving of help and counsel to those who came seeking his advice. He served as a member fo the Midway City Council. After the death of his wife, Jennie, he met and married Iola Jensen Starr, and together they were able to do considerable traveling for a time.

As a summary, he is a person who has natural talents as a teacher, and has been a powerful and persuasive speaker on many occasions. He was in much demand for many years particularly as a speaker at funerals and has lost count of the number to which he has spoken. He has also recorded many many funerals and other events for people that they might be preserved and cherished. He is a man to who his children have always come first in his life, and he has a great love and concern for many others around him, as well. His mind is keen and alert, and he reads a great deal, and studies and is constantly learning. He enjoys educational type tapes, and he greatly enjoys visiting with all who come to see him. He has contributed throughout his entire lifetime to the good and welfare of others, and we are honored to have him as Midway's Citizen of the Year for 1984.

AN Honor Tribute to the Past Presidents of the Boosters Club.

As I prepare to pay Honor to our past pres. I feel it very important to ggive "Thanks" to Joe and Pauline Erwin, for encouraging all the people of MIdway to come to the Mountain Spaa that April night of 1947 , for the Purpose to form a Club ,to promote our lovely town of Midway. So many good things have come from that meeting, We owe them a big "Thank You".

1947 That night our first Pres. Reed Kohler , was chosen, A harvest Festival was held. AFree barbeque,serving 1600 people. This was done our lst year of the club.

Pres. Reed Kohler

1948

Below is a picture taken in 1984. It is a pic- of our 2nd Pres. Francis Probst,his wife Alice Probst, Pauline Erwin, Iona Huffaker, Elda Kohler.

During the 2nd Year,our project was to tear all the buildings on the west corner of the square down, an old pool hall,and barbershop, and a rose garden was planted and lawn. We had a Homecoming program. Good Ship Midway.

Pres. Francis Probst

1949

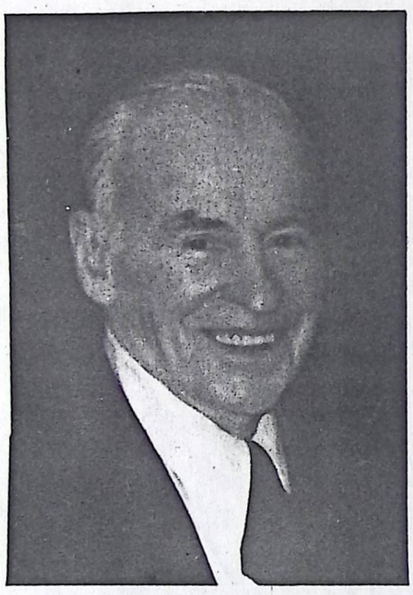
ROy Huffaker Pres.

WEhad a Harvest Fesiful. and completed the planting of the grass and the rose garden and installed a sprinkling system on the square.

GLEN LEROY HUFFAKER

Pres Roy Huffaker

1950



Pres. Leland Ivers

T[illegible]ey made $1,100 at the dance that year. they planted grass around the school house. Francis & Lethe Tadge directed the play,"Little Rodeo ".

All helped do the work and pour the cement for the tennis court on the school grounds We also sold birthday calendars to get the money for the project.

The Tagee's presented the play "Jack and the Bean Stalk".

1951

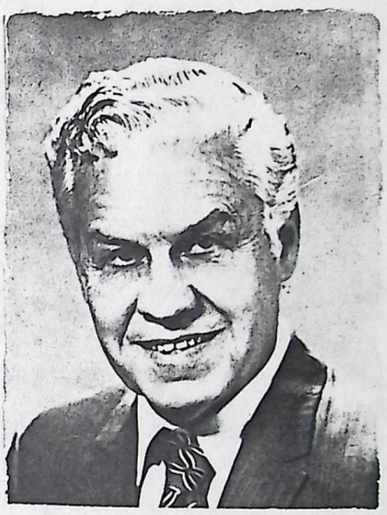
Pres. Myron Gale

1952 Wendell Cluff

While he was Pres,.THey Helped to pay off the tennis court.Clarence Probst & Roy Huffaker presented the Musical "Midway Harvest days."

1953 Scott Whittaker Pres.

This was the year we changed to Swiss Days instead of Harvest Festival. Swiss Chorse came from Salt Lake City to present a concert. We had Swiss Market, Food an Costumes Stressed.



1954 Bert Blood Pres.

This was one of our best years for the flower show.

1955

Vern Wilson,Pres.
The Midway Boosters Club Made a Contribution to the town to be used for a sprinkling System on the town Square.
We also had our Swiss Days Activies.The Parade and Program and booths.

1956
Robert Welsch, Pres
All our efforts were put forth to Have a special Swiss Days.

1957
Delbert Wallengren, Pres.

Swiss Days Celebration.

1958

Reed Kohler Pres.

We had our Swiss Days, And much effort went it a project to get better Phone service , with fewer patrons on each line, some had as many as 10 on a line.

We also had a town clean-up and paint- up.

1959

Reed Kohler was also the Pres. for this year , to try to complete the projects.

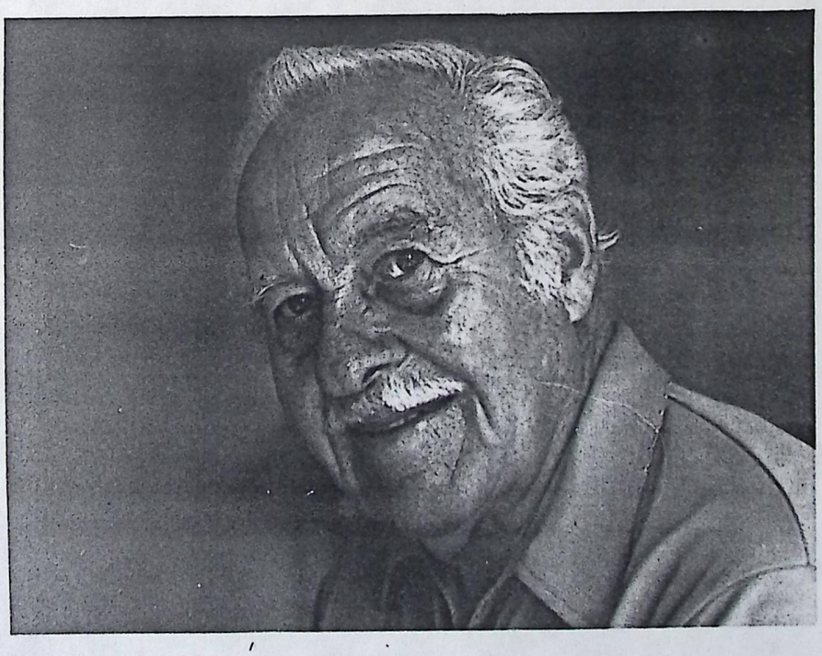
Clyde Alder headed a committee to get streets in Midway with signs, and house numbers. Ray gertsch, Alber ta Provost and Ferrin Whittaker were on this committee. Alberta Provost headed a committee to have a Halloween party for the Children.

1960

Ferrin Whitaker, Pres.

We Completted the Street signs And the House Numbers.

Jack Kuhni wrote "Midway to Heaven" Which was enjoyed by All.



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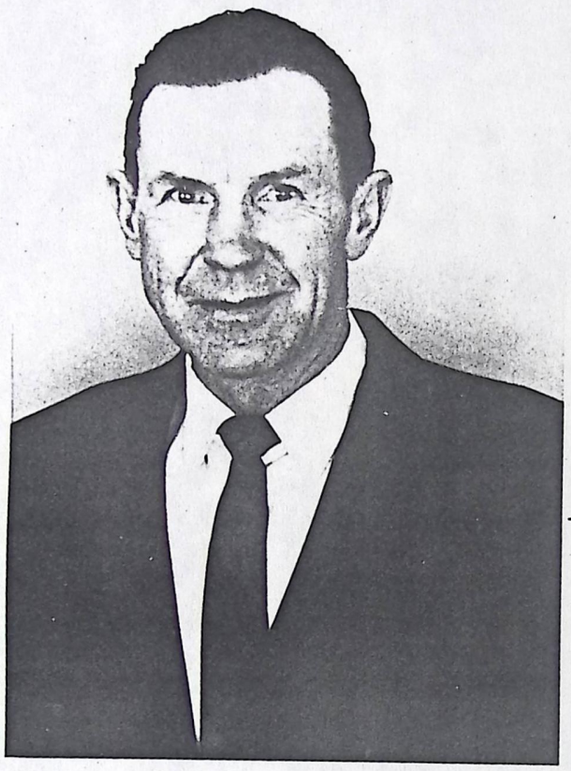


Ray Gertsch Pres.

Our Swiss Days were very good. Town clean-up ,outdoor party were all very successful. we Gave the town $5oo.00 for the accoustics in the town hall.

William Haueter was The Honered citizen for the year.

Ray Gertsch

Midway, Wasatch County, Ray Gertsch age 71 died July 1, 1985 in Midway of a heart attack. Born June 21, 1914 in Midway to Conrad and Elise Durtschi Gertsch. Married Maeda Murri Feb. 21, 1941 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

Active High Priest in the LDS Church, Temple ordinance worker, high councilman, LDS Bishopric 19 years, scout leader, served Swiss German Mission, served in World War II for four years. Active in civic affairs he served as President of the Midway Boosters Club, member Midway Town Board. He was a construction worker and farmer.

Survived by wife of Midway. Children: Mrs. John Bonnie Lund, Salt Lake City; Bp. Lyle R. Gertsch, Midway; Mrs. Roger (Carolyn) Bratt, St. Anthony, Idaho; Laren Gertsch, Midway; Ellen Gertsch; Salt Lake City; Ralph C. Gertsch, Atlanta, Georgia; Mrs. Bryan (Lynda) Call, Payson; LaNae Gertsch, Logan; 27 grandchildren. Sisters and brothers: Mrs. Dick (Lucy) Thompson, Jerry Gertsch, Leo Gertsch all Midway; Mrs. Ermel (Lena) Morton, Rexburg, Idaho) Mrs. Ross (Helen) Berg, Basalt, Idaho.

Funeral services will be held Friday, July 5, 1985 1:00 p.m. Midway Third Ward Chapel. Friends may call at Olpin Mortuary Thursday 7:00-9:00 p.m. and at the church Friday prior to services. Burial Midway Cemetery.

1962

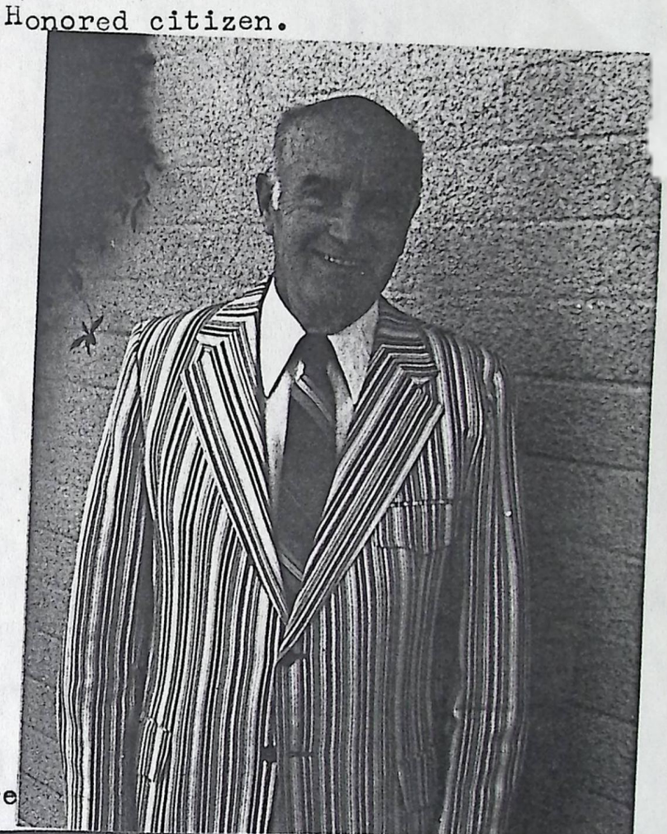
Lincoln Pugh Pres.

Each one of our projects of town clean-up, outdoor party, Swiss Days were very well supported . We had 300 people to the town Holloween party.

This year we honered Leo Luke as The honered Citizen.

1963 Ralph Fugate Pres.

Usual activities . Nephi Probst is Honored citizen.



1964 Arlo Fillmore Pres.

Swiss Days

Marjoria Provost Honored Citizen.

1965 Earl Houtz Pres.

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Bleachers for the base ball square
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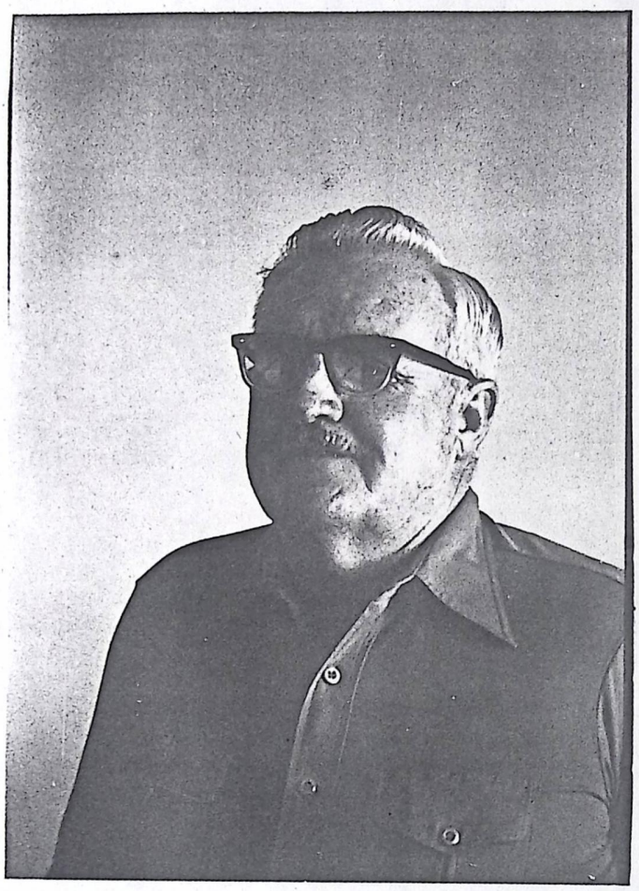


1966

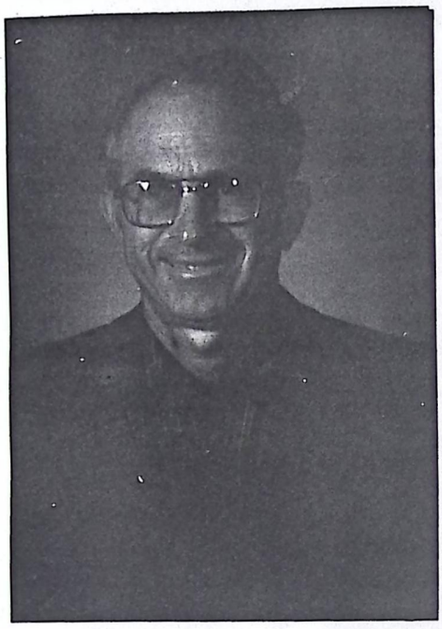
Bill Mair, Pres.
Trash Barrels Were Placed in several places in town.

The Honered Citizen Award was presented to Clarence An Verna Probst, for their great contri - butions on the Musical Programs.

1967
Lvan Pope, Pres.

A very good Swiss Day was Presented this year.

Also Guy E. Coleman Was the Honered as the Honered Citizen.



1968

Dennis Clegg, Pres.

Raymond made a "M" on Wilson's Hill for the Boosters.
Elsie Kohler Was the Honered Citizen.

1969

Leland Ivers ,Pres.

Karl L. Probst was the Honered Citizen, for the year.

Leland Ivers

Those in Picture Above are;

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1970

Lowell Johnson, Pres.

William Haueter was the honere d citizen.

1971

Emer Wilson Pres.

Alma & Nettie Huber were
Chosen as our Honored citizens.

1972

Daniel Ballstaedt, Pres.

Memorial Hill Restoration

Ballstaedt Midway's Honored Citizen

Daniel Ballstaedt has been chosen as Midway's 'Honored Citizen of 1980' in conjunction with the upcoming Swiss Days events.

Born in Germany in 1901, Dan emigrated to Salt Lake City with his family when he was only three months old. He has always had a great love for America and, in fact, did not realize that he was not a citizen until, as a young man in his twenties, he filed for a homestead and was turned down. He immediately applied for citizenship in order to 'legitimatize' his patriotism.

Since moving to Midway 18 years ago, Dan's love for his community has been manifest in several ways. He was instrumental in organizing a blood bank to serve the needs of hospitals in Provo, Salt Lake and Heber City and he served as District Fire Warden for Wasatch County from 1973-74, as County Clean-up Chairman in 1975, and as an officer in the Midway Boosters Club (Vice President in 1971, President in 1972).

While serving as Boosters President, Dan saw the completion of a two year effort to purchase 200 new chairs for the Midway Town Hall. It was during this time also that new American flags were obtained to be displayed along Main Street. The story behind these flags is an interesting one. It seems that Hans Karl Schade, a well-known German tenor now living in Salt Lake, was invited to present a concert in Midway. Schade had at one time been held as a POW by the Americans in Europe, but had later been brought to the United States by a professor from the BYU. Attendance at the concert was quite small, but those who came were entranced. When the time came to pay Schade for his performance, he politely refused the money, requesting instead that it be put toward the purchase of these flags.

Dan is perhaps best known for his efforts to complete the restoration of the monument on Memorial Hill. To this end, he served as a Tri-County Committeeman for the Bicentennial Project, but his involvement with 'the hill' goes back much farther, even to the first year he and his family moved to Midway. At that time there was a project afoot to plant flowers on the hill, and Dan asked to be put in charge of that. In one way or another, he has been involved with Memorial Hill ever since.

It was just four years ago, at the age of 67, that — because the flag had been stolen — Dan extended a ladder to the top of the monument and then climbed an additional 30 feet to reach the tip of the flagpole where he rethreaded the halyard and unfurled to stars and stripes once more.

Although Dan has been retired since 1970, he says he is busier now than ever. Five children, including eight year old twins, and the completion of a new home are partly responsible. Church positions keep him busy as well. Over the years he has served as Sunday School Superintendent, MIA President, Branch President, and High Priest Group Leader. Currently he is also custodian of the Midway 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel.

Dan is also an avid book collector, especially works of early church history and archeology works which support the Book of Mormon. He owns a copy of the first edition of the Book of Mormon and also copies of the first four European editions.

The citizens of Midway are proud of Dan and his family and are pleased to have this opportunity to express their appreciation of his contributions to the community.

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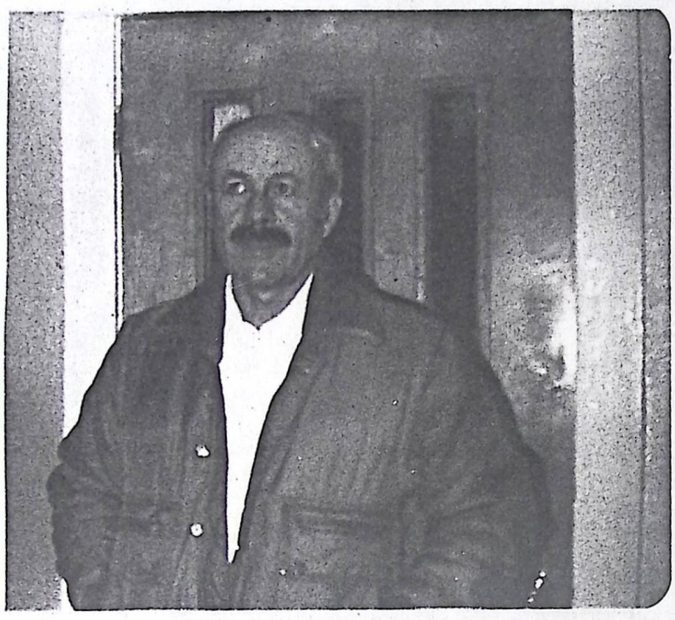

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Kenneth Kohler, Pres.

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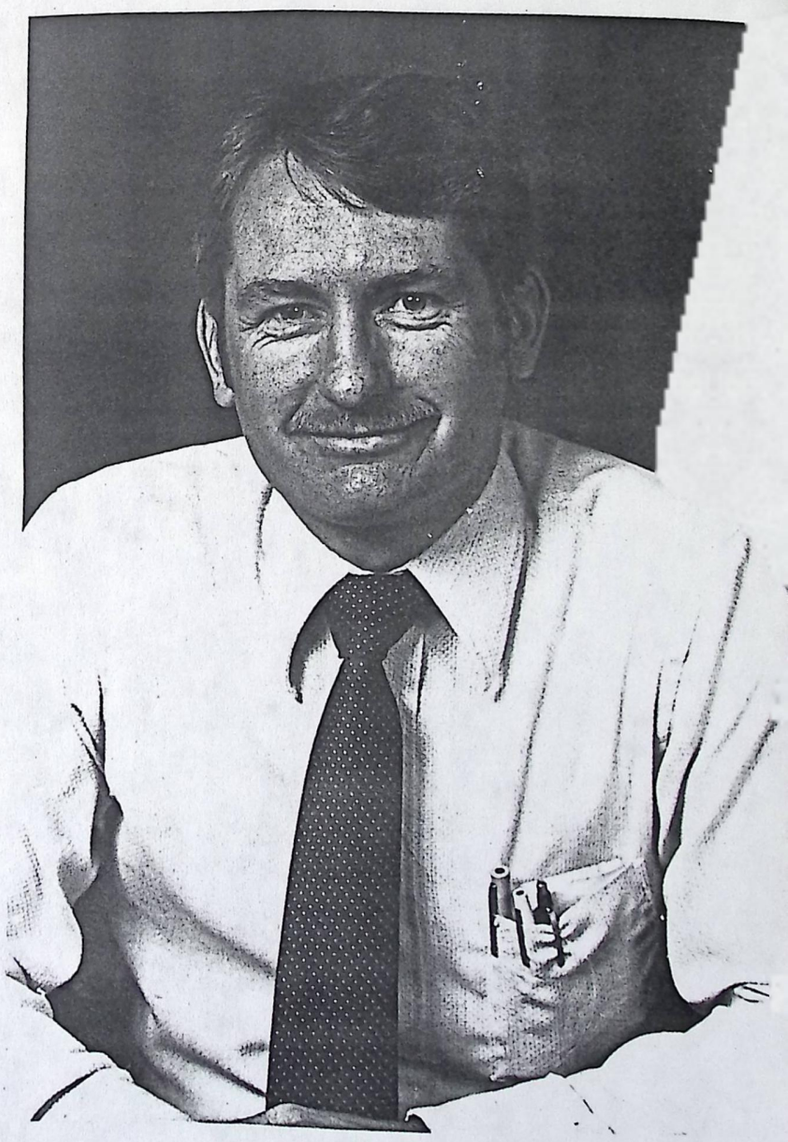
1974

Larry Bonner Pres.



1975

Gorden Shipley,Pres.

1976

John Eberhart

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Honered Family was Leon Huffaker

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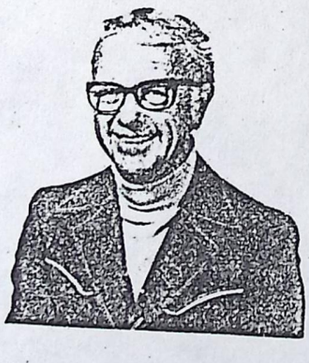

JOHN F. EBERHARDT

CANDIDATE FOR TOWN COUNCIL

Born and raised in Salt Lake City, graduated from East High School, attended University of Utah, graduated from Woodbury College, Los Angeles, California. Resident of Midway for the last three years.

If elected, hopes to provide input to the City Council on the following subjects:

1. Protection of the Midway residents against the pressures exerted by the areas' inevitable growth.

2. Solutions of the cities' management problems by applying business-like methods.

3. Exploring possibilities of securing any of the many available grants for city improvements.

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5. Direct representation of Midway on the Wasatch Council for industrial and Commerical Growth.

6. The solidification of the Heber Valley communities through the promotion of understanding and cooperation.

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1978

Ralph Britsch, Pres.

Midway's 25th anniversary of Swiss Days.

Honered Family is Larry Bonner family.

1979

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Carpet was laid in the front lobby of the town hall.

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Andrew Mitchell Pres.

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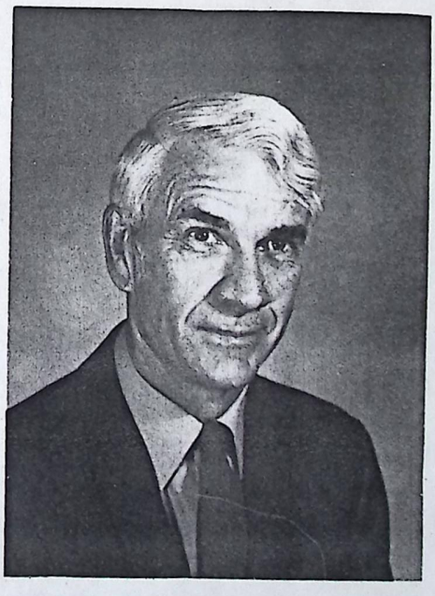

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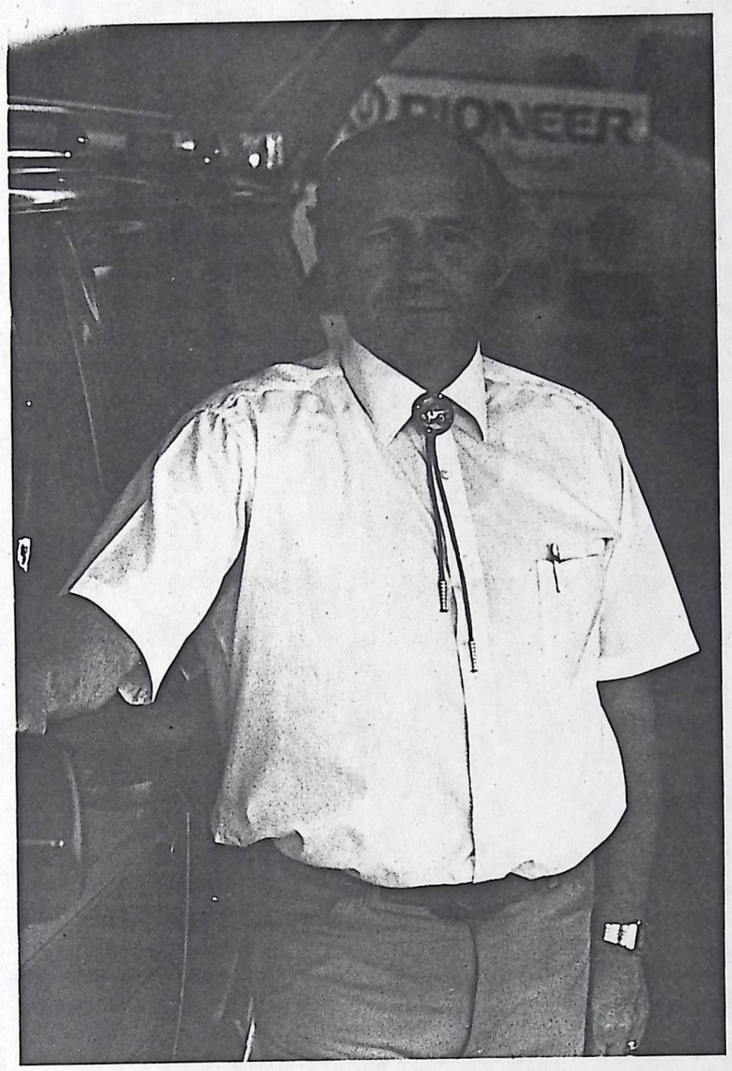
We express our appreciation to this year's committee, chaired by Mr. Ray Gertsch, and applaud their choice for Midway's Honored Citizen 1983.

Alvah Kohler pres. 1983



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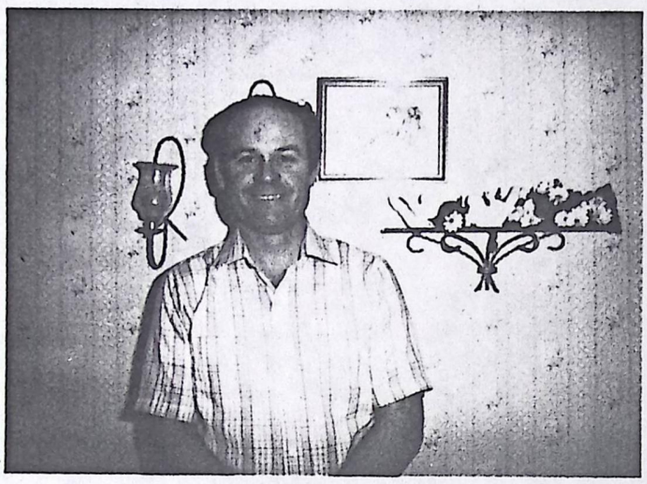

Les Corbett, Pres.

Swiss days were a huge sucess
Barbecue pit was reconstructed
Heber Light installed electric
service at each light pole.
The Boosters spent much time and
Effort to try to save the old
school. But no feasible way
was found.
A very good 4th of July cel-
bration was put on by Spencer
and Erla Young.
Many good projects are in
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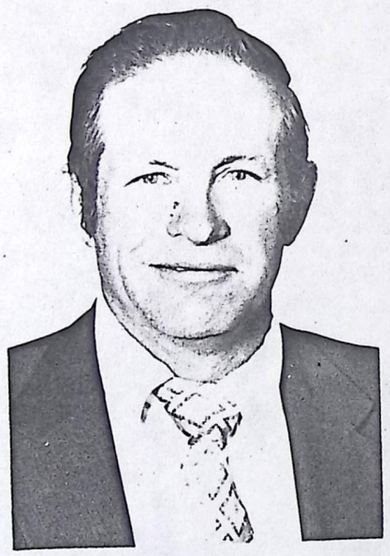

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HISTORY OF MIDWAY BOOSTERS CLUB

1947 - President, Reed Kohler
Harvest Festival was held. Free barbeque serving 1,000 people.

1948 - Francis Probst, President
Homecoming program. Good Ship Midway. Project to tear down the old pool hall and barbershop on the west corner of the square and planted a rose garden and lawn.

1949 - Ray Huffacker, President
Harvest festival and completed the planting of grass and rose garden and installed sprinkling system.

1950 - Leland Ivers, president
They made $1,100 at the dance that year. They planted grass around the school house. Francis and Lethe Tatge directed play, "Little Rodeo".

1951 - Myron Gale, president
All helped do the work and pour the cement for the tennis court on the school grounds. We also sold birthday calenders to get money for the project.
The Tatge's presented the play "Jack and the Bean Stalk"

1952 - Wendell Cluff, president
Helped pay off the balance on the tennis court. Clarence Probst and Ray Huffaker presented the musical "Midway Harvest Days".

1953 - Scott Whittaker, president
This was the year we changed to Swiss Days instead of Harvest Festival. Swiss Chorus came from Salt Lake City to present concert. Swiss market, food and costumes stressed.

1954 - Bert Blood, president
This was one of the best years for our flower show.

1955 - Vern Wilson, president
Made a contribution to the town to be used for sprinkling system.

1956 - Robert Welch, president
All efforts put forth for a Swiss celebration.

1957 - Delbert Wallengren, president
Swiss Days celebration.

1958 - Reed Kohler, president
We had our Swiss Days, but we started a project to get better phone service with fewer patrons on the lines, a town clean up and paint up.

1959 - Reed Kohler, president
Clyde Alder headed a committee to get the streets in Midway with signs and house numbers. Ray Gertsch, Alberta Provost and Ferrin Whitaker were also on this committee. Alberta also headed the committee to have Halloween party for the children.

1960 - Ferrin Whitaker, president
We completed the street signs and house numbers. If any one does not know their number, Alberta has a list. Jack Kuhni wrote "Midway To Heaven", which was enjoyed by all.

1961 - Ray Gertsch, president
Our Swiss Days was very good. Town clean up and out door party and Halloween party were all very successful. We gave the town $500 for the accoustics in the town hall.

1962 - Lincoln Pugh, president
Each one of our projects of town clean up, out door party, Swiss Days were very well supported. We had 300 people to the Halloween party.
This was the year we honored Leo Luke as the honored citizen.

1963 - Ralph Fugate, president
Usual activities. Lethe Tatge is the honored citizen.

1964 - Arlo Fillmore, president
Swiss Days

1965 - Earl Houtz, President
The bleachers for base ball on the square.

1966 - Bill Mair, president
Trash barrels at places in town. Honored citizen - Clarence Probst?

1967 - Ivan Pope, president
Swiss Days. Guy Coleman - honored citizen.

1968 - Dennis Clegg, president
Raymon North made a "M" on Wilson Hill for Booster.
Elsie Kohler is honored citizen.

1969 - Leland Ivers, president
Karl Probst is honored citizen.

1970 - Lowell Johnon, president
William Haueter is honored citizen.

1971 - Emer Wilson, president
Alma and Nettie Huber are honored citizens

1972 - Daniel Ballstaedt, president
Memorial Hill resortation.

1973 - Ken Kohler, president
Ray Huffaker is honored citizen.

1974 - Larry Bonner, president

1975 - Gordon Shipley

1976 - John Eberhart
Honored family is Lowell Johnson family.

1977 - John Eberhardt, president
Honored family is Leon Huffaker family.
Boosters design, make and give gazebo to town.

1978 - Ralph Britsch, president
Midway's 25th anniversary of Swiss Days.
Honored family is Larry Bonner family.

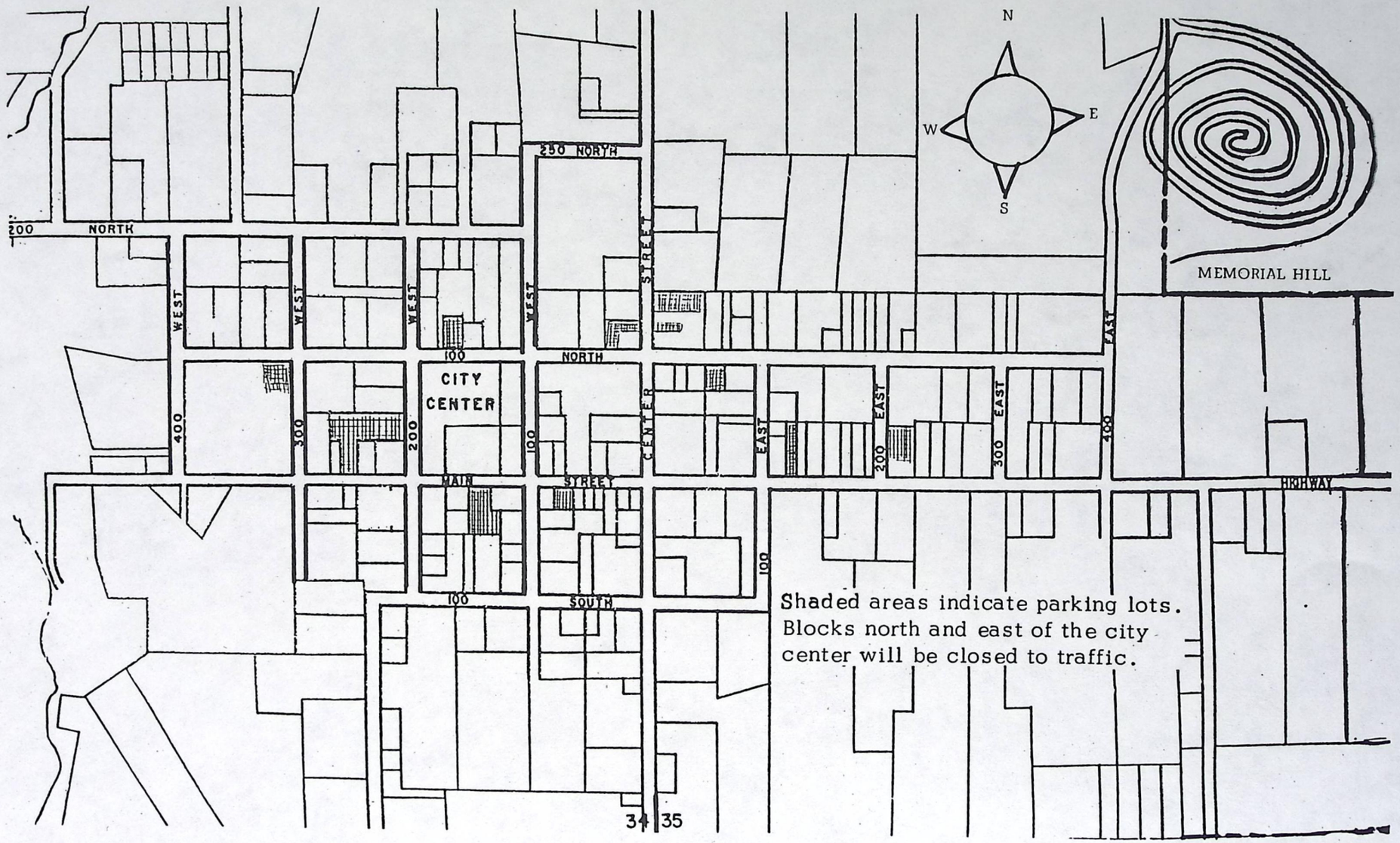
1979 - Ralph Britsch, president
Carpet is laid in the front lobby of the town hall.

1980 - Andrew Mitchell, president
Boosters bought 300 new chairs for the town hall and 20 new tables. Ruby Provost is the honored citizen.

1981 - Roy Kohler, president
Work started on the pavillion.
Six window fans are donated for the town hall.

1982 - Leroy Kohler, president
Work nearly finished on pavillion.

1983 - Alvah Kohler, president
Twenty picnic tables for the pavilion are made. A refridgerated drinking fountain is installed in the foyer of the town hall.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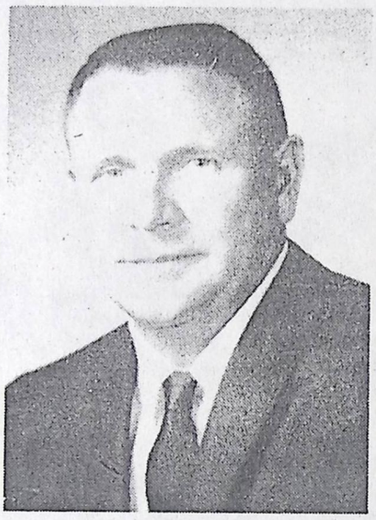
Midway Selects Honored Citizen For 1985



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Midway Schools Past and Present

As in all Utah communities, education was and is very important to the people of Midway.

The first school was on First South and Main Street and doubled as a recreation hall. It was called Van Wagoner's Hall. Later, another school was built on the corner where the town hall is now located. This was a two story building with two rooms upstairs, two rooms downstairs, and a stairway on the outside of the building. There were eight grades; four upstairs and four downstairs. A third school house was built, and still stands, on the town square, but is no longer in use. It was constructed mainly of native pot rock, with a bell tower similar to the ones in Switzerland.

The bell originally was rung everyday at the beginning of class. Later it was rung by John Boss Jr., only on holidays and all town celebrations and funerals. In the last few years that this school was used, the bell was rung at the beginning and at the end of the school year. The outstanding citizen (boys only) were given the honor of ringing the bell at the end of the year.

The bell was removed from the old school and is now found in the marquee at the new Midway Elementary School.

Swiss Days to Miss School Building

Midway Town Square will have a different look this year. The ravages of time finally took their toll on the famous landmark, Midway Elementary School. Accumulation of winter snows on the roof of the unheated interior brought on the collapse of the ancient roof timbers. For many years the old school building had furnished space for Swiss Days Flower Shows, Arts and Crafts, historical exhibits and most recently the now famous "Heidi" Puppet Show...All of which will be relocated.

After a thorough investigation of all possible alternatives, the Town Council voted to remove the useless remains with its safety hazards. In its place a Swiss-style structure to house the Midway City Offices has been designed.

Bids on the new office building are slated soon after Swiss Days.

So, in 1986, there will be another "different" look on the Town Square, a brand new City Office Building.

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The Sheltons' took up residence in Wendover, Utah after their marriage. They soon returned to Midway and have resided here since that time. While they were in Wendover, Grant built a home. When he came to Kurt Rothe's in Midway to purchase lumber, Kurt offered Grant a job. Grant and Darlene finished their home in Wendover, sold it, and moved to Midway.

Throughout the years, Grant has been a strength to the Midway Booster Club in many ways. He has served in the Booster Club Presidency, on the board and at the present time is the representative to the Boosters from the Midway City Council. He has been a great supporter of Midway in any way he could.

He was the chief designer of the metal booths that are used for the Swiss Days Celebration and also in other areas of the county. This has saved thousands of dollars and countless hours of time in setting up and taking down of booths. He also helped in the construction of these booths. This past year, he added two additional booths designed and built especially to handle the Knockwurst for Swiss Days. He also built the original Swiss Miss float.

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Grant cleans driveways during the winter for friends and neighbors. He can repair almost anything and has helped many who were in need of help in this area. He has a great sense of humor and is always fun to be around.

Grant Shelton loves Midway and the people here. He is a good neighbor and friend. The Midway Boosters are proud and happy to announce that Grant Shelton is Midway's Honored Citizen for 1985.

The Fort Midway Flag

Faded, collecting dust, and ignored for several decades, on the second floor of the Midway Town Hall is perhaps the most historically significant artifact of Midway history; an eighteen star American Flag. It was the first flag to fly at Fort Midway and it was carried on campaign throughout the Blackhawk Indian War of 1866 and 1867 by the Midway Battalion of the Wasatch Military District.

This article has been written to bring about a greater awareness of the existence and historical significance of this flag and to encourage an appropriate site for its public display and preservation.

On the southeast corner of the Midway Town Square is a monument that was erected on July 21, 1940, by the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers which bears this inscription:

MIDWAY FORT

When this valley was settled in 1859 two colonies were established on the west side of the Provo River. A lower and upper settlement, the latter called Mound City.

In 1866 Indian depredations caused the formation of the Wasatch County Military District and brought the people of the two settlements together for security. About seventy-five families erected homes on this site.

Sidney H. Epperson was the presiding elder. The location being Midway between the two sites, by common usage became Midway.

As this monument notes, Midway was created in response to dangers generated by "Indian depredations" which arose out of the Blackhawk Indian War. Although this war originated many miles to the south in Sanpete and Sevier Counties, where Chief Blackhawk incited the Ute Tribes to wage war on the encroaching settlers, the hostilities endangered other remote settlements including those struggling to establish themselves in the Heber Valley.

When Brigham Young heard of the bloodshed and destruction of the war to the south, he advised his people in sparsely-settled districts to move together and to build forts for protection and security. At the time of Brigham Young's decree there were two colonies of settlers on the west side of the Heber Valley. The first colony was established on April 15, 1859, at a cottonwood grove on the banks of Snake Creek with the arrival of the Sidney Epperson, Jeremiah Robey, Mark Smith, David Wood, and Jesse McCarrel families. The second colony was established one year later, during the summer of 1860, when the Peter Shirts, Ephraim Hanks, Jno Hanks, and Riggs families arrived in the valley and settled some four miles above the first colony on Snake Creek. This upper settlement later came to be known as Mound City, presumably having been named by John Huber. After 1860 numerous other families arrived, locating on the west side of the Heber Valley and up and down Snake Creek for four miles. Sidney H. Epperson was appointed presiding Elder over the colonists on June 26, 1862, and by 1864 it is estimated that fifty-six families were members of the two settlements.

Giving heed to Brigham Young decree, the settlers on the western half of the Heber Valley agreed in principle that they should band together in one location to build a fort for mutual protection and security. However, the upper settlement colonists the lower settlement colonists did not feel like moving to the upper settlement.

In the spring of 1866, under the direction of presiding Elder Sidney H. Epperson, a compromise location was selected halfway between the two settlements and they commenced to "fort in". The name Fort Sidney was reportedly first suggested in honor of their leader and met with unanimous approval, but Sidney said, "No, we'll call it Midway."

The first step in laying out the fort and settlement was the survey of the townsite. John Huber and Sidney Epperson carried the tape, Mark Smith and Attewall Wootton the pegs, and within a few days Midway was laid out in large blocks thirty-two rods square, with a Main Street six rods wide and side streets four rods in width. A public square where the fort settlement was to be placed was set aside in the center of the new town site, and within a matter of weeks, through a tremendous community effort, seventy-five primitive dirt roofed log cabins were constructed surrounding the central square. Some cabins abutted each other, while in some instances strong panels of upright posts made palisades between cabins built slightly apart, forming an impregnable

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With the organization of the Military District and the approaching completion of the Fort Midway settlement, Sidney Epperson was concerned about the lack of availability of an American Flag of "colors" to be flown at Fort Midway and to be used on campaign against the indians. Realizing the importance of having a suitable flag for the battalion and Fort Midway use, Mary Jane Robey Epperson, Sidney's Wife, commenced the construction of a large American flag. The material for the flag came from bedsheets, which were hand dyed and sewn. When completed, the flag contained less than the standard 13 stripes of red and blue and had only 18 of the 34 stars typical to the American Flag utilized throughout the Civil War years from 1861 to 1865--an omission necessitated due to the exigencies of time, material and circumstances.

When completed, the flag was utilized by the Midway Battalion throughout the Blackhawk Indian War, which ended in 1867 after talks between the Indians and Mormon leaders occurred at Mount Pleasant in Sanpete County. At that time, most of the Ute Indians were persuaded to settle on a reservation in the Uintah Basin. Chief Tabby, another Ute leader in the late summer of 1867, brought tribe members to the Heber Valley, and after smoking the peace pipe with community leaders, entered into a peace agreement. With peace having been declared, the settlers put on a tremendous feast for the indians and sent them away with gifts including clothing, blankets and hats.

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Sid Epperson, a grandson of Sidney H. Epperson, carried the old flag on horseback from 1954 through 1960 at the Midway Harvest Festival, later called Swiss Days. The flag remained in the Sidney H. Epperson home until 1967 when Dan and Mollie the last surviving children of Sidney H. Epperson, entrusted the flag to Lethe Coleman Tathge to ensure its preservation. Since 1967 the flag has remained on the second floor of the Midway Town Hall, largely ignored and forgotten.

There are many individuals still residing in the Heber Valley who are fourth-, fifth-, or sixth-generation descendants of the early settlers who "forted in" at Midway during the Blackhawk War. The old fort Midway Flag, now 118 years old, symbolizes the courage and community spirit of those first inhabitants of Wasatch County, and it would seem appropriate to make more readily available for public display the "Old Fort Midway Flag" at such special occasions as Swiss Days, where this community celebrates and gives thought to its rich heritage and history.

The Old George Bonner home

Uncovering the Cornerstone of Bonner's Corner

by Kalyn Secretan

Wouldn't George Bonner be proud today to see a great great grandson involved in the restoration of his home?

Chris Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Anderson, also the grandson of Lonella Bonner Fitzgerald is among workers involved in the restoration.

The home is one of three homes known as Bonners Corner.

Bonner's Corner originated at the intersection of 100 East and Main when brothers George and William built a home for their parents.

The brothers, successful in the timber industry had the home built by John Watkins about 1877.

When the brothers married, John was called on to build each of them a home.

They were both married in the parents home on Jan. 24, 1878.

Successful businessmen, they built and operated Bonner Mercantile.

The first merchandise was actually sold in the Bonner home.

John Watkins was skilled as a builder and an architect in Kent, England. He was converted to the Mormon church, joined the Saints and traveled to Utah.

He was prominent in settling Provo and built the first tabernacle and was active with the "Provo Band."

While traveling with Brigham Young he discovered his "Dreamland", in Heber Valley.

He felt a longing for the area so he packed up with his three wives and moved to Midway. He brought with him a sophisticated style in a primitive area.

John built a rock house after arriving the valley. Then he began his dream house, making his own brick, the first brick in

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Bonner's Corner

the valley.

He helped build a rock church and then built the three "Bonner's Corner" homes.

The beautiful Fret work was designed by John and made by Moroni Blood.

Many historians have studied John Watkins.

The homes built by him have been recognized by the DuPont Museum in Winterton, N.J.

He was able to get away from the drab everyday cabin and introduce homes spectacular to his day.

The "Gothic" structure was popular in the 1860's along the Hudson River and the East Coast.

Historians feel he was definitely ahead of his time.

Since the destruction of the Coalville Tabernacle, the Bonner home is the only true example of "Gothic Revival" in the Wasatch area.

The restoration of the Bonner home was gone forth under the direction of the owner, John Told.

John Told, who restores homes would not put this labor of love into any home, but he feels it is one of the top houses in Utah worth restoring.

The home will be furnished with original period furniture. It will be a "relic house" and preserve the historical value of Bonner's Corner.

John makes his living as a set director. He is currently set director for the new "Berretta" Show.

The new fall series, "Helltown", stars Robert Blake who gave up his gun for a bible as a barrio priest.

It is the only new fall series forecast as a likely hit.

John began his career in Hollywood in the early seventies. His first series was as set director in the Donny and Marie Show.

Told spent many seasons with the "Love Boat", and "Trapper John, M.D.".

He has also been involved with other films and movies.

The home is being rediscovered by the fifth generation. It will awaken a historical interest in Bonner's Corner.

The home has been abused and unnoticed for years.

Chris, other workers, including Industrial Arts students from BYU are performing a work of art restoring a home with a great story to tell.

Jack Built —

The new Swiss Miss and her attendants are (from l to r): Kymber VanWagoner, Deidra Ralphs, Jenelle Klein, Jami Grose, Swiss Miss, and Brittany Farrell.

Swiss Miss Contest Held;

New Miss Selected

A new Swiss Miss and four attendants were chosen for the 1986 Swiss season in Midway. As Swiss Miss, Jami Rae Gross, daughter of Tom and Jana Rae Gross was chosen and received has new title at the concluding performance of the annual Swiss program. Chosen as her four attendants were: Janelle Klein, daughter of Jerry and Joyce Klein; Kymber VanWagoner, daughter of Kim VanWagoner; Brittany Farrell, daughter of LeRoy and Sherilyn Farrell; Deidra Ralphs, daughter of Lenny and Dotty Ralphs. All of these girls are residents of Midway and are planning for a fun and exciting year attending parades and meeting people. This will help build Midway's Swiss festivities.

The other ten contestants who competed for this award were: Amy Thacker, Annie Morrison, Annette Nichols, Kourtnie Kohler, Angie Kohler, Daphne Guyman, Sarah Springer, Tricia Gale, Karalee Price, and Tiffany Prince. Each of these girls portrayed a talent and Swiss costume. They were all winners for having participated in this contest. We wish to thank everyone who contributed so much help to putting on this pageant - and a special thank you to these donors..."Something's Bloomin'", Probst Masonry, Utah Livestock Auction, Wasatch Video, Atkinson Sound, Wasatch Wave, and the Midway Boosters.

New Swiss Miss Chosen

A new Swiss Miss and her four attendants are chosen during Swiss Days each year. A girl has to be between the ages of eight and twelve and be a resident of Midway to enter the contest. Each girl is judged on a talent, modeling of her Swiss costume and on her personality.

Since 1954 the Swiss Miss and her royalty have represented Midway with their charm, talent and beauty promoting this small town's celebration of their pioneer Swiss heritage.

The reign of the new Swiss Miss begins at the end of Swiss Days and concludes the following year. During their year reign, the Swiss Miss and her attendants ride on the Swiss Days float in various parades and community celebrations, most notably Provo's Fourth of July parade and Salt Lake City's Days of '47 parade.

Jami's attendants are Kymber VanWagoner, daughter of Kim VanWagoner. Kymber demonstrated Tae Kwan Do as her talent in the contest. She also enjoys being on the Drill Team.

Attendant Brittany Farrell is the daughter of LeeRoy and Sherilyn Farrell. Brittany has lived her entire life in Midway. She enjoys dance and palying the piano.

Deidre Ralphs is the daughter of Lennie and Dottie Ralphs. Deidre is also very talented. She plays the fiddle and violin. She loves school, reading and swimming.

Janelle Klein is the daughter of Jerry and Joyce Klein. Janelle is active in drill team and dance. She also enjoys "just having fun."

We are very proud of our 1986 Swiss Miss Royalty!

Deidre Ralphs, Kymber VanWagoner, Jami Grose (Swiss Miss), Brittany Farrell, and Janelle Klein.

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Midway Homes on National Register

The Utah State Historical Society announces the recent lisiting of eight historic Utah properties in the National Register of Historic Places. Those properties include the Ecker Hill Ski Jump in Summit County, the Magna Community Baptist Church, the Provo Canyon Guard Quarters, and five architecturally significant houses in Midway that were constructed by John Watkins, a prominent nineteenth century builder.

The elaborate Gothic Revival style houses built in Midway by John Watkins are among the best examples of that style in Utah and are evidence of Watkins's remarkable design and construction skills. These "gingerbread" style houses, though often associated with Midway's Swiss heritage, are actually of English origin. John Watkins, trained as a builder in his native England, emigrated to Utah in 1856, bringing with him a thorough knowledge of the construction techniques and architectural styles popular in England at that time, including the Gothic Revival style. In Utah, Watkins demonstrated his considerable architectural knowledge and skills by combining variations of the cross-wing house form with Gothic Revival stylistic elements to create houses which, though similar to each other, are each unique. The houses designed and built by Watkins in Midway include his own house at 5 East Main (the Watkins-Coleman house, previously listed in the National Register), the George Bonner, Sr., house at 103 East Main, the George Bonner, Jr., house at 90 East Main, the William Bonner house at 110 East Main, and the William Coleman house at 188 North Center.

Watkins's first house in Midway, though not built in the Gothic Revival style, was also listed in the National Register. Located at 22 West 100 South, that house was one of the first to be constructed in the community as settlers moved out of Fort Midway in 1867 at the close of the Black Hawk Indian War. That house is also important as an example of polygamous architecture in Utah. Its three-room arrangement demonstrates Watkins's solution to the problem of providing equal accommodations for his three polygamous wives.

Listing of these properties in the National Register is intended not only to recognize and publicize their historical importance, but also to encourage their preservation. Though there are no federal or state regulations limiting what owners may do with their National Register buildings, the mere act of making known their historical significance often results in an increased concern for their preservation.

Lois Bonner Honored at Midway Swiss Days

Lois Thacker Bonner was born in Charleston, Utah, the fourth child of Dave and Alice Thacker. She had eleven sisters and brothers and had many good times with them on their farm. Lois loved to be outdoors where she could run and climb, play baseball, and ride horses. She liked to go with her Dad to the sawmill where he worked. She had a reputation for being quite a tease and kept the family on its toes.

Her chores included homework, cooking, bottling fruit, bringing in coal and water to the house, turning the old wringer washer on wash-day. But her favorite job was helping her father memorize his lines for the plays he enjoyed being in.

The family moved to Bluebell, Utah, for a short time when she was young, but soon came back to Charleston where she went to school up through the eighth grade at the old rock Charleston School. She then attended and graduated from Wasatch High School. After graduation she went on to spend three years of hard studying at the Holy Cross Hospital Nursing School and graduated with her R.N. degree (and several new lifetime friends . . . everywhere she goes she makes friends!).

She came to work at Wasatch County Hospital in Heber. One of her patients was Charles Bonner, who had been seriously injured in an accident and was there for a long stay. One day she met his brother Floyd when he came to visit — after that Floyd visited very often. They were married July 13, 1936, and became the parents of six children: Mrs. Lowell (Barbara) Johnson, Evva Kaye, Bill, Mrs. Stephen (Linda) Rees, Larry, and Clark. Lois and Floyd moved briefly to Colorado and Nevada for his job, then returned to Floyd's family home in Midway where Lois has now lived for almost 50 years.

Lois Thacker Bonner

As her family grew up she accepted a position as Wasatch County School Nurse where she worked for twelve years. She really enjoyed the association with all the students, but she always worried that they'd only remember her as "the lady who gave them shots." However, most of them seem to remember her much more for her sympathy and caring . . . and looking so pretty in her white uniform.

Through the years she has helped many people who were in need of her nursing skills with never a thought of being paid. Many people have come to her for weekly or occasional shots and she was always glad to help. She is always one of the first ones to visit, bring meals or treats, or give help to people in need or suffering a loss. There are many people in town with whom she keeps in almost daily touch to help them with their needs — whether it be a friendly word, their mail brought in to them, help in the home, errands run, or a yummy treat or loaf of bread. She is always sensitive to others' needs and feelings.

She has served as a member of the Wasatch County Hospital Board. She has always been active in the LDS Church and given great service to many through her positions in it. She served for many years as the Relief Society President and as Primary President, as well as in numerous other callings.

During the last few years of Floyd's life he was quite ill and Lois devoted herself to his care. After his death she filled the void in her life by helping her neighbors and friends even more, by serving as a worker in the Provo Temple, and by serving an LDS mission to Minnesota. She's so busy you almost have to make an appointment to find her home!

Lois Bonner is a great example of a gracious, loving, well-organized human being. She makes the world a better place just by being in it. She truly loves people and they love her in return.

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Swiss Miss Hopefuls

Wasatch Wave Heber City, UT 84032 Thursday, August 21, 1986 3B

for 1987

The reigning Swiss Miss Royalty chosen at last year's Swiss Days Celebration Jamie Grose, Kymber Van Wagoner, Deidre Ralphs, Brittany Farrell, and Janelle Klein will reign at the 1986 celebration. After Swiss Days this year they will turn over the reins to the new royalty who will be chosen this Friday Night August 22nd at the Midway LDS Stake Center. Everyone is invited to attend the contest and see the new contestants display their talents and poise to the judges. Admission is free.

Trying out for the honor of Swiss Miss for the 1987 celebration are 16 girls. Sarah Springer daughter of Karen and Jerry Springer, Melissa Thurber daughter of Susan and Michael Thurber, Tiffany Prince daughter of Beverly and John Prince, Jennifer Palmer daughter of Wendi and Drue Palmer, Annette Nichols daughter of Madelyn and LaMarr Nichols, Meggan McLean daughter of Lynne and Mike McLean, Heather Warnick daughter of Susan and Val Warnick, Karalee Price daughter of Brenda and John Price, Leslee Martinez daughter of Carolee and Rick Martinez, Shalise Morgan daughter of Paulette and Don Morgan, Annie Morrison daughter of Cherre and Rick Morrison, Tonya Gale daughter of Gayle and Ron Gale, Janelle Kohler daughter of Arla and Arlin Kohler, Angie Kohler daughter of RaeLynne and Mark Kohler, Koortnie Ann Kohler daughter of RaeLynne and Mark Kohler, and Kristen Probst daughter of Debbie and Craig Probst.

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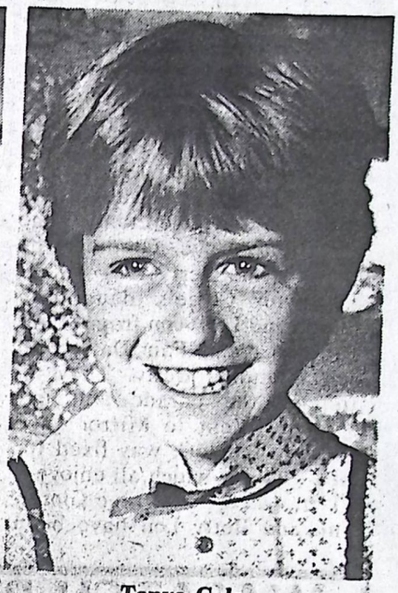

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Sarah Springer

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HISTORICAL POINTS OF INTEREST IN MIDWAY
Recorded by Reed Kohler about 1955 Or 56
At the home of George W. Johnson

George, I would like to have you go on a little tour with us this day and point out some of the things of interest about the town of Midway.

I think we should start at the Daughters of the Pioneer Monument on the Public Square. It's located on the southeast corner of the square immediately in front of the present Post office, a large round stone topping the monument is of interest..If you notice it is carbed out for the purpose of grinding flour and had a companion stone which in the years past was broken. It was located in its years of service down in the old Mill Lane on Snake Creek where it helped to grind the flour for the early settlers of Midway. I've been told by people who look at it that much of the stone must have ground off into the flour at times, and I tell the people on the tour that is one reason why the pioneers had so much grit.

This public square was the home of the early settlers of the lower settlement and of the upper settlement called Mound City. After Brigham Young and the Saints came to the Salt Lake Valley in the year 1847, it took them eleven years to explore the surrounding valleys, and sometime around about the year 1858, the upper settlement was located about a mile north of this Square in Midway. The lower settlement just a short time later was located down by the Fred Price home or ranch a mile south of Midway. The upper settlement was larger in number and as I stated was called Mound City.

The families living apart and few in number found it very difficult to protect their families in the Indian Difficulties as the years advanced. The first two or three years were quite uneventful but the Indians became very determined as they felt sure the pioneers were taking their hunting grounds from them and to drive them out of the valley. And they found it necessary to stay in too great numbers at home to protect the wives and children and allow too few to go into the fields to perform the field labor. Oftimes their crops were destroyed, their oxen killed or driven away, and many times great tribulations for wives and children, even sometimes babies were lost and upon a few occasions people were killed by the Indians.
The great difficulties continued to increase and after about ten years of this trial it was evident that they could not remain apart. The lower Settlement invited the upper to join them but the upper settlement clained they were the larger and insisted they should be joined. As winter approached it was evident that they could only reach a compromise by each coming midway, and so they came to this present square.

About seventy five families built homes around the square. The only two entrances were on the west in the middle of the square and on the east. The Square being formed by the cabins built adjoining each other with huge gates to close during the night and during times of raid. A sentinel guard was placed to guard the livestock which were brought inside the baricade each night. And there never was a time when someone was not on duty to oversee the safety of the families in the fort. Most of these families had farms in the proximity of the lower or upper settlements. These farms were abandoned temporarily, at least the living quarters, and the farmers returned each day to perform their duties leaving a few men on duty at the fort.

After the difficulty with the Indians came to a climax and were quite well settled the pioneers were happy to go back to their homesteadswhich they had taken up at that time under Squatters Rights. During this period before they proved up on their Squatters Right areas the government changed to the present Homestead Act which we had up until recent years.

I wanted to tell y ou today a brief experience of my mother's foster parents. They had located where our farm now is on the west slopes of Midway. And when the Indian difficulty were compelled to move to the fort and build a cabin on the northwest corner of the fort. As they returned after the Indian difficulties to their homestead site, a neighbor threatened to take from them the homestead, or the area where they were homesteading under the Squatters Right and told my mother's foster father they would beat him to Salt Lake inaas much as they had a new span of oxen and a new wagon to file under the then existent Homestead Act. My mother's foster father was very much alarmed because he had had his property even in advance of his neighbor and had cleared much of the land and had farmed it for a number of years before going into the fort.and now upon his return again. And so he and his wife planned far into the night just what might be done as the neighbor had threatened to leave the following morning early with his new yoke of oxen and his new wagon. They reached the conclusion that Grandmother Winch would pack him a lunch and he would leave at three o'clock going up through Snake Creek Canyon and down through Big Cottonwood to Salt Lake on foot as he had no horse to ride and no oxen and no wagon fit for the journey. He walked the first day and reached Salt Lake. The following morning as the Land Office opened he went into the Land Office at the opening of its doors and filed under the present Homestead Act upon his property. As he came out of the office from filing about two hours later his neighbor drove up in front of the land office with his new oxen and his new wagon. And he had beat him by just the two hours.

As we ride along the street one block westhof the Square and to the left, under the David Provost home, I would like to point out now there is an under ground lake. The home is built over the lake. Some years ago while I yet was on the Midway irrigation board we caused the canal to be cemented up in front of the David Provost property because there was access for the boys and girls of school to go far back under the layers of the earth which we felt were dangerous and the irrigation

company cemented the entrance closed. The house now stands on the pot rock formation which supports it. The underground lake is of undetermined size. A few lights available at the time indicated any certain area being covered by water and mostly was determined by the casting of stones out into the water.

We'll continue westward on Main Street to a point where we can point out the old mill site on Snake Creek where the flour mill existed. Farmers planted wheat; barley was almost unknown, and cut it with a cradle, flailed it by means of either oxen treading upon it or with sticks and fanned it in the wind and brought it to the old mill site to be ground into flour. In those days flour and meat were the main food sources as scanty vegetables were available and potatoes unknown. But in later years the diet expanded to many of the luxuries we now know.

If we travel two blocks to the north and again bear westward on the present Homestead Road to Snake Creek proper we'll come upon the old site of the Roan Blood sawmill. This sawmill was first located at the upper settlement or Mound City, and sawed out by water power mostly red pine timber out of our mountain area to build the homes at Mound City. And after Mound City was abandoned the saw mill was moved down to this site to again saw out the material to construct the church, the dwellings, and the school house, and other buildings in and about the town and valley. Mr. Blood also made here many of the coffins in which the dead were buried, both large and small. On short notice he was compelled to make up a casket sometimes over night. It was not uncommon for families to lose two and three of their children in a single day. And my mother's foster parents had in their own home four of their children dead at one time with no neighbors to come and help them care for the sick nor bury the dead, because of the great fear of diphtheria which was rampant in the settlement at times. They could only turn to Mr. Blood and ask him to build out of the pine lumber the coffins, and oft times dug the graves themselves to lay their children away or their loved ones.

As we travel up over the mound on to the west slope of Midway there are two mine dumps on the side of the mountain in view of the town of Midway. The first one was dug by a man by the name of Sam Boyd under the direction of Benny Clark. There was an ancient story repeated of Spaniards who came into the area in the early years prior to pioneer time. And the story indicated that they had found gold in almost pure form in the proximity of these mines. However none of the settlers of the whites ever located the supposed mines but various people through dreams indicated where they might be. And so both of these diggings have been prompted largely through dreams. The Benny Clark mine was dug in the early 1900's and proved entirely fruitless. The other slightly to the right was dug by Noble Snyder. It was prompted to a greater extent by a friend geologist who indicated he was quite certain there was gold in that area.

Some years ago, about two or three, a certain geologist from Philadelphia College indicated to me on my own farm which is adjacent to these mines that he felt quite sure the diggings were prompted by real fact because he felt sure the formation was indicative of gold. However none has ever been discovered...

If we travel westward, rather if we travel northward toward the Homestead I'd like to point out the crater which I think is as you said George, aproximately sixty feet high. It is the highest of the craters in the area and they are numerous. Warm water saturated with lime coming up from great depths of the earth formed a crust over the clay base in our entire western area or Midway portion of the valley. This warm water overflowed in greater volume over those earlier years than it has in later years. The reason I cannot explain except the digging of the mines in the Park City district and various other water research and digging in our own area has dropped the water table to a degree. However this large crater overflowed as the pioneers were located in the valley, and as it would build up the lime formation where it presently was flowing and become higher than the adjoining area it would change course and flow off another side, the lower side, constantly seeking the lower level until the crater through long years formed in this massive form.

As the hot pots first located they accumulated the water and brought it into the swimming area, but it was constantly changing course and oft times filthy because of storm anddust. And so, several years ago they dug a tunnel into the mine through the crater and brought the water through the tunnel out into the plunge, thus dropping the table from overflowing to a depth of about fifty feet. My father and many of the boys, as they herded cows, would slip away from the cows in mid day and come to swim in this large crater during the shading up periods of the cows. I often what their parents would think had they known that the boys were swimming in the crater, for it is often repeated that two lines join together forming approximately six hundred feet in length have been tested to determine the depth of the crater but they claim that the weight constantly had a pull indicating there was no depth at six hundred feet. I don't know of any other test that has been made but it is often stated that the crater is without bottom.

Going up onto the mound northward is the cemetery of the upper settlement on the little nole to the west. It is covered largely by sage and oak and proves to be the resting place of those who passed to the other life from the upper settlement. At one time there were approximately 15 people burried in the little cemetery.

But after Mound City moved to Fort Midway many of the dead were removed to the present cemetery site and as I recall only five remain buried at the present time, and as I remember only two sandstone markers mark the graves of those yet remaining.

Here again are a number of craters formed by the water overflowing and it is hoped that sometime this greater number of craters may be placed into a little town park for preservation for those who come to gaze upon them as they are very interesting to study.

Traveling still northward towards Snake Creek is the area now in question for the State Park. It includes about eighteen square miles including Pine Creek and Snake Creek Canyon. The properties now involved belong to Randal Shear, Alma Huber, Joseph Huber, Glen Zanger, Clarence Probst Jr., Bernard Probst, Jean Propst, Joseph Huber, and Edward Epperson. And it is difficult to determine at this time how soon or if at all, the park will really come into existence.

When the early settlers located the John Burgeners and Christian Burgeners located to the left in this canyon, Lime Canyon and John William Wilson had taken up holdings along Snake Creek in the mouth of Snake Creek Canyon. After John William Wilson and his wife returned from the fort to the homestead on Snake Creek in the mouth of Snake Creek Canyon he tilled the soil with greater love than ever before and with his improvised oxen and his poor implements his crops grew bounteous because the soil was rich and the water ever present. And so he grew to love the area very much and as years advanced and having a knowledge that sometime he may have to pass beyond asked his wife one certain request, namely, that he be buried upon the slope to the north overlooking the farm, the homestead he loved so dearly. It was then completely grown up in oak brush but he said on that elevation "I'll be able to rest and look down upon the homestead I love." He made another peculiar request. He said he wasn't so sure that he wanted to be buried in a casket which would only accomodate him lying down but rather asked his wife to promise that she would bury him in a casket big enough for him to sit up in. The time of passing was inopportune for it came in the month of January and the snows were deep, and as I recall from those who knew, they reported it took nine span of oxen four days to break the road up to the site he had chosen for his burial, and dig the grave and Roan Blood down at the old saw mill built the casket large enough for John William to sit up in and he was buried on the side of the hill. His grave is grown up into oak brush; only a small picket fence still standing by the strength of the oak which have grown up through it support it. And the farm land now extends completely around it, but he is resting there on the homestead of his choice. After his passing the family retained the title to the homestead only a short time and then it was sold to a family of immigrants from Switzerland, John Huber people. They built a frame dwelling farther up the canyon on the creek and there reared a large family, the boys in turn clearing more land and finally clearing the area surrounding the grave of John William Wilson.

In this grove to the left of the Huber home are a great number of cotton wood trees and some quaking aspen, and here the people of Midway came to enjoy the celebrations of both church and civic nature. And it was not uncommon for tow or three celebrations to be held in the Huber grove during each season, and all of the people, both young and old would emjoy picnicing and fun together.

Traveling further up the canyon of Snake Creek we come to the power station now owned by Utah Power and Light. This site was selected by Uncle Jesse Knight in the year 1908 or 9. The water from the Mountain Lake tunnel flowed down through Snake Creek and at the point of the mill flat was brought out around the edge of the Mountain and then conducted directly down off the mountain in iron pipe to the site of the power plant. This gave great force and drove the wheels with great speed. It has been a very economical plant to maintain and operate. In 1912 it was purchased with six other plants which were commenced by the Jesse Knight people by the Utah Power and Light and has been operated by them ever since. It's a beautiful spot. I t was operated and cared for by the late John Orick for a great number of years. And upon his passing, by Harvey Stone, and at present, by Mr. Brerton, LaVon Hair has worked here a great number of years and has helped to beautify it beyond description.

At this point it is interesting to pause and the many events which have occurred in Snake Creek Canyon. The Great Western Mining Company drove a drain tunnel under Brighton's from the mill flat and employed a great host of men for a number of years while they drove the drain tunnel ever northwestward. Very little ore was encountered, only very small pockets at a time but a sizeable amount of water, even up to twenty second feet. This water gradually diminished after the tunnel ceased to operate and cave ins came about until at present there is only about two second feet flowing from the drain tunnel.

In these white mountains to the west were also many interesting specimens of rock among which was marble. Captain Springer, locating above the Utah Power and Light site, built a saw with which he sawed out marble slabs of the stone in the white mountains and many of the grave markers in the entire area were made of the white marble. Also many of the slabs sawed out in sizes were freighted to Salt Lake with ox teams.

The Mountain Lake tunnel was driven mostly by Midway men. In these two tunnels one accident after another took its toll. Two in particular, John Hair and Jay Abplanalp, Elijah Watkins and others, either lost their lives or lost their sight. Lige Watkins, still a lifetime resident of Midway has lived these many years in darkness

because of losing his sight.

I wanted to tell you a little experience of the activity of the early mining people in these mountains. They were much different than the pioneers who settled the valley. They seemed to come from nowhere with only one desire in mind, to dig the minerals out of the earth. And they searched every crevice and every nook trying to determine where the riches lay. A trail linking Park City with the Steamboat mine still referred to as then, as the old Steamboat Trail was traveled as much as many of our highways today either by people on foot or on horseback, day and night. People traveled either to or from Park City, some coming to their prospects, some returning to town for provisions.

Two men came into the Caribou area. They looked for several days while living in a tent and finally located what they thought was an excellent prospect. Their first days were spent in building a log cabin in which they moved a bed and cupboard and table and chairs. And then they commenced to drive their tunnel under what is now the Lacky Wazen Peak. Each day they shot their round cleaned out their shootings of the day before only to find the continuation of the face of the mine into the solid granite. They were happy together for they felt sure that someday they would strike it rich. And certainly that day came. One morning as they entered the mine to remove the waste of the day before to their great astonishment the entire face of the mine was ladened with rich ore.

They didn't take time to haul out the muck. They simply took samples of the ore face and both hastily descended the trail, around the old Steamboat path into Park City. As they came to the office of the geologist and assayer and presented the samples to him he assured them there was little need for assaying because as he stated, "Anyone can see this is rich ore but to satisfy you and tell you how rich it would take him most of the day and they should come back in the latter part of the afternoon." After having struck it so rich they went to the saloon and put up the drinks for all of the fellows. More and more gathered around and more and more drinks were served. And then friends urged them to go to the assayers in the latter part of the day to really see how rich they had found it. And as they went ot the assay office their wildest dreams were confirmed. It was very high frade ore.

Again they returned to the saloon and in and enjoyed the drinks until the hour was late. At this point they became confused and their fellowship which had been so friendly became also confused, and they made the suggestion "Why two men just be rich? Why not one man be exceptionally rich?" And they made a wager together.. They had left a 38 revolver lying on the bed in the cabin. Why not struggle through the night and wander around that six mile trail through the mountains in the darkness to the cabin. The first one able to get to the cabin and get the revolver would have perfect right to shoot the other, and the survivor should own the mine alone. This contract they entered into with witnesses and left the tavern to travel the six miles in the darkness. Morning was approaching as they first reached the cabin. He was eager to get into the door and find the six shooter he had plainly in mind lying on the bed. What he didn't know was that his partner who had come out of the cabin last had placed it in the cupboard and he couldn't find it. One thought flashed into his mind to come out of the cabin and go to the back where the axe and the chopping block was. He thought if he could get the axe and get back into the doorway before his companion came he could strike him down with the axe, but his delay in going to the back of the cabin was too long for his partner knowing where the revolver was had gotten into the cabin in the meantime and had the revolver in hand and as he entered the door way with the axe was shot down. At this moment his partner fell exhausted to the floor and awakened only after the sun was high the following morning. In his memory he vaguely recalled his experience of the night before and thinking hopefully it was a bad dream arose and staggered to the doorway, but all too true his partner lay dead in the trail below.

He was very disheartened and after burying his friend in the mountains there and a few days had elapsed he proceeded to dig into the rich ore only to place the next round shoot our the full face of ore back into the solid granite wall. He remained onl y a short time and then abandoned the mining camp and moved on to parts unknown.

In the spring of 1922 I was a boy of 16. There were three other brothers at home and I being the eldest was anxious to find a job which would pay a little money for the summer's work. I was in the last year of high school and my father encouraged me to apply to the J. B. Wilson and son's sheep outfit. They gave me employment on the fifteenth of June. I was in their employ through June, July, and August, and in mid September as school was again commencing my partner, Parley Probst, also from Midway, had asked for a day or two to spend with his wife before shipping the sheep to market, shipping the lambs to market, I should say. As a boy of 16 in the autumn of that year I was rather fearful to be in the mountains alone. It was my experience to be entirely alone. I had a band of nigh on to 3000 head of cheep in my care.

The nights were moonlight and sheep travel a great deal in the moonlight. They had fed all day. Still they bedded down only for a short time, and then I would be awakened by the tinkling of the bells and the bleating and know that they were pulling into another direction, and I would be compelled to dress and go out on to the

side of the mountain and turn the direction in order to keep them from mixing with other bands of sheep in the close area.

Two nights, three nights, and four nights passed and I looked forward to his return. A thunderstorm was approaching on the fourth evening and it became dark very early and I feared to be alone in a storm this night but to my relief after bedding the sheep I heard a horse approaching the trail and Parley returned to camp. We cared for the horses and sat visiting about our evening meal. He was telling about the happenings down in town. It was about ten thirty when we blew out the candle and crawled into bed. Our bed was constructed of quaking asp logs built into a bunk, small pine sappling poles for stringers and pine bows for springs over which was a number of quilts to take care of the hardness and keep us warm and comfortable. We had only a candle for light.

Immediately upon blowing out the candle it began to rain and I got out of bed and tied the flaps together on the tent as the wind was blowing somewhat. I had not had time to get back into bed until their came a cry, very alarming, outside the tent. We were camped at the time on the rim of the Lavinie flat. Old Tattersol, a prospector of long years ago had built a log cabin to the east of the flat on the same rim. The cabin was infested with rats and porcupines and rock chucks until it was uninhabitable. But we were tempted in the darkness of that rainy night to seek refuge in the old Tattersol Cabin. The animal would prey upon our camp letting out hideous cries very much like a person crying in distress. My partner arose and quickly dressed. We called our dog which was frightened and remained under the bunk. The dog came to our side and as the animal came approaching we could hear his approach by the sound of his footsteps. We sicked the dog on the animal. The dog ran only a little ways, the animal retrieving and then the animal would bring the dog directly back into the tent. This occurred two or three times and then my partner, Mr. Pobst, suggested we had a thirty eight revolver and a thirty thirty rifle. He siad, "You take the revolver and I'll take the rifle and when the animal comes exceptionally close in the darkness and begins to let out a cry we'll both shoot right into the direction of the cry. Perhaps we'll be able to kill it." We did this only to alarm the animal very much and the animal came charging toward us. We had lighted the candle and it gave off a dim light through the flap of the tent which proved to be very helpful because we both ran very quickly in onto the bunk. As the animal approached the lighted flap it remained in the darkness and did not come into the tent for which we were very thankful. It continued to alarm us through the entire night and as daylight was about to approach mu partner decided to go around the edge of the flat to the Tattersol cabin which gave full view of the basin, and I was to remain at the camp.and we were to watch carefully hopeful that the approach of daylight would give us a shot at our target. While we heard the cries while the greyness of dawn was coming upon us, daylight found no trace of the animal. And as daylight did come we found tracks about six inches in diameter, almost a beaten path to our camp, and then extending out into the flat. We never had heard of the mountain lion before and the owners of the sheep outfit also indicated also that they had never heard the experience before and from what I know never since.

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DEDICATION SERVICES
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MIDWAY FIRST WARD CHAPEL
held June 9, 1963, at Midway, Utah at 7:30 P.M.
Bishop Burton Van Wagoner conducting

Bishop Van Wagoner:

Brothers and Sisters, it's time to begin our sacrament and dedication services, We are happy to welcome you here tonight. Especially are we happy to welcome those who have come to visit with us, especially President Henry D. Moyle of the First Presidency, his wife and their party, those who have come with them--each and every one of you. We hope that you will enjoy the evening, that there will be a great spiritual feast for us.

The opening song, "The Spirit of God Like a Fire is Burning," will be by the choir and congregation. The invocation will be offered by Brother Lincoln Pugh, a counselor in the bishopric. The Sacrement song, "Holiness Becometh the House of the Lord," eill be by the singing mothers, and the sacrament will be administered and passed by the Aaronic Priesthood. Following the sacrament service a boys' chorus will sing, "The Morning Breaks".

Congregational song:

THE SPIRIT OF GOD LIKE A FIRE IS BURNING

The Spirit of God like a fire is burning!
The Latter-day glory begins to come forth;
The visions and blessings of old are returning,
And angels are coming to visit the earth.

The Lord is extending the Saints' understanding,
Restoring their judges and all as at first.
The knoledge and power of God are expanding,
The veil o'er the earth is beginning to burst.

We'll call in our solemn assemblies in spirit,
To spread forth the kingdom of heaven abroad
That we through our faith may begin to inherit
The visions and blessings and glories of God.

How blessed the day when the lamb and the lion
Shall lie down together without any ire,
And Ephriam be crowned with his blessing in Zion,
As Jesus descends with His chariots of fire!

We'll sing and we'll shout with the armies of heaven,
Hosanna, hosanna to God and the Lamb!
Let glory to them in the highest be given,
Henceforth and forever, amen and amen!

Invocation, Lincoln Pugh:

Our kind and eternal Father in Heaven, Thou who hast made the earth and all things that in them are, we have met this night in dedication of the Midway First Ward Chapel, and we ask that Thy Spirit will be with us this evening. We are thankful, our Father in Heaven, that Thou hast seen fit to give unto us the means to erect this chapel and pay for it and be able to dedicate it. We are thankful, deeply so, for the servant and prophet of our Church who can be here this night to dedicate this chapel.

We thank Thee, our Father in Heaven, for our families and for our homes. We thank Thee for our jobs and for our farms, and for all which we have and we acknowledge Thy hand in all these things. We are indeed grateful for the membership which we have in Thy Church. We thank Thee for those who are visiting with us this night. We ask that Thy kind and protecting care will be with them, that no harm nor accident or anything of an evil nature might befall anyone who here this evening.

Our Father in Heaven, we are thankful for all things which we have. We dedicate this meeting now to The kind care and keeping, and ask Thy Spirit to be with us, and we do it in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Sacrament Song:

HOLINESS BECOMETH THE HOUSE OF THE LORD

Holiness, holiness
Becometh the house of the Lord.
House of Prayer, house of song,
House of the holy word.
Where in devotion our hearts we raise
Up to Thy throne as we offer our praise.
Holiness, holiness,
Becometh the house of the Lord.

Holiness, holiness,
With quiet contentment and peace:
Care and strife of our life
Within this dwelling should cease.
Hushed be the last fall and gentle the voice,
While we together thus meet and rejoice;
Holiness, holiness,
With quiet contentment and peace.

Holiness, holiness,
If we here our covenants renew
Round the board of our Lord
Each sacred Sabbath anew.
Discord and sin should not enter here,
Angels and holy ones hovering near,
Holiness, holiness
Becometh the House of the Lord.

Sacrament Service.

Boys' Chorus: THE MORNING BREAKS

The Morning breaks; the shadows flee;
Lo, Zion's standard is unfurled!
The dawning of a brighter day,
Majestic rises on the world.
The clouds of error disappear
Before the rays of truth divine:
The glory bursting from afar,
Wide o'er the nations soon will shine.

The Gentile fulness now comes in,
And Israel's blessings are at hand.
Lo, Juda's remnant, cleansed from sin,
Shall in their promised Canaan stand.

Jehovah speaks! let the earth give ear,
And Gentile nations turn and live.
His mighty arm is making bare
His cov'nant people to receive.
Angels from Heaven and truth from earth
Have met, and both have record borne;
Thus Zion's light is bursting forth
To bring her ransomed children home.

The morning breaks; the shadows flee;
Lo, Zion's standard is unfurled!
The dawning of a brighter day,
Majestic rises on the world.

Bishop Van Wagoner:

We'd like to excuse President Call tonight. He is in New Mexico on another assignment. We'd also like to excuse Brother Ivers. He is ill and unable to be with us. We thought maybe he would be able to be here, but he couldn't make it tonight. We also would like to thank those who have beautified our building tonight with these beautiful flowers: Brother and Sister Grant Alder, Brother and Sister Don Hicken, Brother and Sister Alma Huber, Brother and Sister Henry Kohler, and Sister Lethe Tatge, Pete Coleman, and June Tatton. It adds a wonderful touch to our building and we appreciate it so much. We are happy that most of our High Council members are here tonight from the stake, and President Whiting and President Carlile of our Stake Presidency are here, and the stake clerk Elmo Jacobson, and many Bishops, and we are happy to have them all here with us.

Tonight is a climax to a dream we have had. I think about 1950 we bagan to think about a new building. For some time there were no plans to get started on a new building. At that time we didn't realize how badly we needed one. When I think that the part beyond the stairs was our chapel and classrooms were all the facilities we had, I wonder how we had as many to go church ad did.

When we were installed in the bishopric in 1955, President Cummings asked us the first conference after we were installed--he told us we should have a new building. He said, "You have been put in, you and your counselors and your group that will work, to build us a new chapel." I remember how I disliked the chairs that were in that old building, when we had to sit on the stand. Every time he came he mentioned that.

We went into the planning stage for this building and we didn't seem to get anywhere. I went to President Cummings and he said, "I must go to Salt Lake today; I will go and see Brother Moyle and we will get you started on this." I think he must have seen Brother Moyle, for in a little while we had approval from the building to go ahead. It was quite an uphill task until we were started. It seemed every time we had a new estimate on it, it raised. They finally told us we could build our building for a hundred and

twenty thousand. We went ahead and received our commitments and made our assessments on that basis. We were going along all right. We came out to the last end of the building, or as we progressed into the building, the price of it raised to one hundred sixty-two thousand. This meant that we had to go back to our members again and ask for another contribution.

We have been blessed. You will never know the blessings that the Lord has given this ward. Since we have been in this building program in the last lix years, our attendance has almost doubled; our tithing has almost doubled; our fast offerings have more than doubled. We have had more missionaried in the field in the eight years than were sent out in the field since this ward was formed in 1904. Our missionary committee and all our other committees have worked so well. We very seldom are below sixty per cent in our Sunday School, and brothers and sisters, it's this building program. It's getting together, working together, and loving together that has brought it.

We have had many wonderful people on our committes, all of whom have worked hard. I would like tonight to mention a lot of names of many people who are in this audience and many who are not. If I would try I am sure I would miss someone. For every one who has helped with their time, with their labor, with their cash contributions--we wish to thank. You will never know how close and united a ward can become and how much we all mean to each other.

There are many who are not here who were here when we started, many who would have like to have seen it--mothers, fathers, husbands, sisters. I think they are here; I feel that tonight they are with us. For all of these who have in any way helped--contributed--and we have many. We have friends who do not belong to the Church but who have helped us. We have many who are out of our ward throughout the stake. We have some, I noticed from New Hampshire, Vermont, and all over this United States, from Australia, all over the west coast, who have sent contributions; and even though they are not here tonight we wish to thank them, and I know that a lot of their loved ones are here.

It has been a wonderful opportunity. This has been the most glorious experience that a ward can ever have. I hope that when this experience is over and it is finished, somewhere there will be another place in this Church that I might have the enjoyment and the pleasure and the blessing that the Lord has given to me like this one. I don't wish to take more time. I know that we would all like to hear from our beloved President Moyle. But I would like to bear you my testimony that I know that this is the Gospel of Jesus Christ, that this is the true church, that ouriprophets today are chosen by the Lord. If we will follow their advice they will lead and direct us that we might again enter into the presence of the Lord and we might go back to the Celestial Kingdom where we can enjoy the blessings that we had when we were there before.

I pray that each and every one of you--all of us--may work together that this ward will continue to grow, that we will stay as we are and have the love and harmony in this ward as there has been in this past year. I ask Him to bless each and every one of us and I do it humbly in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

About, I think, the following after the passing of President Cummings, they were to heve been here--I think it was only a few days after they had come from their mission-- to speak to us. The one request that he made was for the next musical number. I hope, too, that like this song tells as you listen to it, that we as a bishopric, if any of us have hurt someone in the ward, or it there is any ill feelings, that as the song says, we will be forgiven.

The program will then go forward with the song, "Evening Prayer" by the Kohler sisters. We will have remarks by our build-supervisor, Brother Earl Kohler, a piano solo by Sister Joyce Van-Wagoner, President Wayne C. Whiting will talk to us for a few minutes, then the choir will sing, "It Was For Me".

Barbara Christensen: We have asked our mother to sing with us, as three of our sisters could not be with us tonight.

Song: EVENING PRAYER, by the Kohler Sisters.

If I have wounded any soul today,
If I have caused one foot to go astray,
If I have walked in my own wilful way,
Dear Lord, forgive.

If I have uttered idle words or vain,
If I have turned aside from want or pain,
Lest I offered some others through the strain,
Dear Lord, forgive.

If I have been perverse, or hard, or cold,
If I have longed for shelter in Thy fold,
When Thou hast given me some fort to hold,
Dear Lord, Forgive.

Forgive the sins I have confessed to Thee,
Forgive the secret sins I do not see,
O guide me, love me, and my keeper be,
Dear Lord, Amen.

Speaker: Earl Kohler, building supervisor.

It is indeed a rare privilege for me to be allowed the opportunity of meeting here tonight and addressing this large congregation, and attempting to express my thoughts and feelings of the very impressive occasion of this dedicatory service. I feel somewhat nervous and a little more than less inadequate to be placed on the same program as accomplished and eloquent speakers as President Moyle, President Whiting, and Bishop Van Wagoner. I pray for the blessing of expression so that I might more adequately express the feeling of pride and accomplishment which I feel toward this edifice which is to be set apart as a building for the purpose of religious worship and related activities of the Midway first Ward.

As I occupy this position tonight I would like to reminisce a little bit about the aspects and incidents of the construction of this building. I would like to be permitted to leave the spiritual aspects to those more qualified to talk on that subject. My first recollection of the Midway First Ward Chapel foes back to the time when the sound systems were not. There was no air conditioning, no central heating sustem, no plumbing, or no sanitary facilities, no carpeted floors, no acoustical tile. I remember attending Sunday School and Primary here as a small boy when the building was heated by coal and wood stoves. I remember as we separated for classes in both Sunday School and Primary we marched outside the one and only entrance of the building, down the old wooden stairs, and around to the side of the building where there was an entrance into the basement area. The basement are area at that time was one big room. There were no partitions, no hallways, no classrooms--there was just one big room with a row of wooden posts down the middle. The various classes and groups would girl circle around their teacher and strain to hear the words of the lesson over the noise and confusion of the other groups.

I am not the oldest member of the ward, of course, As I look over the congregation I see quite a few ward members who are considerably older than I am. They can recall the progress and accomplishments of the people of the Midway First Ward over a much longer period of time than I. They can recall the struggles as they have strived toward the erection of a modern building and modern facilities. I bring up these recollections to emphasize the belief which I have that we have something more here than we would have if we had a building which is completely new in all respects and in all details. We have all the modern facilities. We have tiled rest rooms and carpeted floors. We have the heating and the sound and the airconditioning system. We have more than this. We have the strong and sturdy thick walls of the old building. We have the steep roof which will readily shed the rain, and we have the old classic lines of the old building. Yes, we have more than a ne new building. We have enough of the old building to serve to constantly remind us that there were a couple of generations before us whose faith was strong enough that they gave of their time and their energy and substance to erect a building so they could practice the laws and principles of the Gospel.

I have many memories, too, of the erection and construction of this building. I recall Memorial Day, 1959, when the building was just just barely on the way--some of the foundation was in and complete, an entire troop of scouts, Troop 216 from the Midway First Ward, came back from a bit of duty they had performed at the Midway Cemetary where they had performed a flag raising ceremony and participated in directing traffic and other activities out there. The scout leader brought them here to the church and says, "Here we are, we would like to work the rest of the day." He says, "Some of the boys are not very big but we want to do our bit."

I recall the man who came here atnnight. He was here in the daytime. I told him we were going to start putting the lath on the chapel and some of the other rooms, and he came here at night and worked very diligently. He worked to some two o'clock in the morning putting the lath on the west side of the chapel. He worked just as hard taking it off and replacing it when he found our he had done it wrong. I remember under similar circumstances a man who came here one evening after every one else had gone, and he nailed subflooring over the ceiling joists that had the area of the Bishop's pffice and the clerk's room. That part of the building was not designed for a classroom. If you take a tour of the building tonight you will see that there is a real good classroom there. It turned out to be one of our better mistakes. Also, a man who came to me and said, "I have been all the way to Wisconsin--

just got back from a trip. I've looked at acoustic tile all the way from here to Wisconsin." He said, "You made them put it on straighter than any I have seen from here to there." So I think it is justifiable pride when I say I'm proud of this building. It's a good building.

I could tell many more things connected with this building, but most of all I remember the privilege which was mine of working at one time or another with almost every member of this ward. I recall it was my privilege to work very closely with the bishopric and the building committee. I'm thankful I had the oppoetunity of working with them. I know that I'm a lot better for it. May we profit from an experience that is as worthwhile as a project of building a chapel. May we always use this building for the high purpose for which it iss to be dedicated, I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Piano solo: "O My Father", by Joyce VanWagoner

Speaker: President Wayne C. Whiting

President Call would have loved to have been here tonight, brothers and sisters. We watched rather closely this great undertaking. We rejoiced with your bishopric and committee and ward membership of this ward as we noted your progress, and tonight I would like to bring you the love and best wishes of the stake family in your achievement. It has been so significantly a community effort, and a labor so greatly a local labor. We have been blessed with the leadership of this great bishop and his counselors and the building committee, and their united support of the entire membership of this ward, and so it's no wonder that your achievements have been so splendid and your success so great. There have been problems, but they have been ironed out in the true spirit of brotherhood and the love of the Gospel. You have devoted your time and means so significently to this great project.

We have noted, as your bishop has told you, that you have not suffered financially, but have prospered. I know these things can't be figured out with paper and pencil. We have noted that this ward has seemed to be more prosperous the last five or six years than any time in its history. We noted the increasi in your tithes and offerings. We watched this great outflow of missionaries, young men from this ward. We heard the bishop pledge time and again, a pledge which I know has been kept, that no worthy young man who desires a mission from this ward shall be denied that opportunity because of finance or lack of support. I'm sure that pledge has been fulfilled. We can be proud of all his great achievements. I wish, brothers and sisters, you would remember this in days and years to come: the Lord is the best paymaster you will ever work for. There is never in His Kingdom any unemployment. There is always opportunity for service and gainful employment that will bring you the richest of dididends.

Tonight, brothers and sisters, we dedicate this lovely chapel unto our Father in Heaven. As we dedicate it again to our Father, we, His children, it does in a very real sense become our home--the home of His children. Edgar A. Guest has said, "It takes a heap of living in a house to make it home." I wish you would remember that and make this house the center of your activities in years to come, that we may learn of His ways and walk in His paths. Here we offer up His sacraments unto the Most High. Here we teach our children and train our youth. From this lovely home we send our missionaries to the nations of the earth to bring them the Gospel, that they may share the riches that we share.

Here we shall meet with our youth in this lovely social hall in wholesome recreation and joy. Here we shall meet with our young couples as they embark on life's journey together and rejoice with them. Here we shall meet in solomn reverence to bid an earthly farewell to one of our loved ones whom our Father, in His infinite progress, has called back to Him. Here we shall make the center of our living. We shall crowd into it a "heap of living" and by sodoing we shall achieve the blessings of our Heavenly Father as we mingle in His house, I ask in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Midway First Ward Choir: "It Was For Me".

Behold unon the Mount of Olives,
'Tis there I see my Savior stand,
He beckons me, His love extending,
He bids me come and take His hand.
But lo, what pen can paint the picture,
His wounded hands and side - see--
Where once the spear and nails have pierced Him
When crucified upon the tree.

There is no name that has been given
Whereby salvation may be won,
Except the name revealed from Heaven,
The name of His beloved Son,
And so throughout my days I'll serve Thee
I'll praise Thee for Thy bounteous love,

And ever strive to be found worthy
Of all Thou sendest from above.

It was for me, it was for me!
My Savior died that I might live eternally.
O wondrous plan given unto man
That we might always dwell with Thee.
And this I know, where'er I go
Thy love shall follow me, my guide to be,
Until the end Thou art my friend,
And so I pray, abide with me.

Bishop VanWagoner:

Brothers and Sisters, this is the time we have waited for, for our dedicatory address and prayer. We are awfully happy that President Moyle could be here. We know the great responsibilities he has, the tremendous load he carries. We are indeed grateful for him to be here, for his lovely wife to be here, the party that came with them, We will now hear from President Moyle.

Dedication of the Midway First Ward Chapel
on
Sunday, June 9, 1963

Talk and Dedicatory Prayer given by Henry D. Moyle
First Counselor to President David O. McKay.

My Brothers and Sisters, I feel very honored to have Bishop VanWagoner invite me to be present at this very important occasion-- I can't help but call it a solemn occasion. It was only two weeks ago that we held solemn assembly og the Priesthood in the Manti Temple. That was one of the most inspirational experiences of my life, to see fourteen hundred wonderful men holding the Priesthoos, all of them didicated to the work of the Lord. The spirit with which they came into that sacred edifice was marvelous. It made me feel very humble to know that the Lord had privileged me to be one of them-- to be present and feel the fellowship and devotion of that tremendous body of the Priesthood.

I again experienced that same feeling here tonight when your wonderful bishop bore his testimony and made his opening remarks. I couldn't help once again of being grateful in my heart for the fellowship that exists, not only between you and me, but all us.

ELDER HENRY D. MOYLE
First Counselor in the First Presidency Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

So I look upon this, not as a solemn assembly of the Priesthood, but a solemn assembly of the Midway First Ward. It is always solemn whenever we think of approaching our Father in Heaven in prayer. It is always a solemn assembly when we meet to partake of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, to renew our covenants and rededicate our lives and all that we have and are to the establishment of God's Kingdom here upon the earth.

You know, we are in very deed "Midway to Heaven", and the fact that you celebrate on a chosen day in the summer this theme, maybe

in a lighter mood than I'd like to apply it tonight, it has nevertheless established in my heart a feeling that when I'm in Midway, I'm"Midway to Heaven", and that feeling has not in any manner been dispelled this evening,

You know, the life that we are living, our presence here upon this earth, the privilege that we have of experiencing the blessing and difficulties of mortality, has brought us midway to heaven. We know that we have had a pre-existent estate, and those of us who are here tonight have had the privilege of keeping our first estate, and have willingly come into our second estate. We were not forced into this estate; we came here willingly, and we came here for a purpose. I'm sure that this estate of mortality brings us midway along our journey through out the great plan of life and salvation which has been established by our Heavenly Father before the foundations of this earth were laid; a plan of life and salvation which each one of us, in our own rights, with a full knowledge of the free agency and power which was possessed, individually agreed. So it is not alone the plan of life and salvation of our Father in Heaven, but it is <u>our</u> plan.

The government of the Kingdom of God, whether it be pre-existent, mortal, or ante-mortal, is one in which the voice of the individual controls. And just as we have our free agency today we have reached, so to speak, this course, "Midway to heaven", we have the free agency and the power to build upon it and progress as we here tofore progressed; or on the other hand we can throw it away, the blessings which have attached to us because of our obedience to the principles of our Father in Heaven from our beginning until now. And we have the right to determine for ourselves today which course we are going to pursue.

Those who have participated in the building, adding it to that which you already had, have been walking along a rather indefinite course. You have been following a path of progress and have evidenced a desire to go forward and to become nearer and nearer to our Heavenly Father as we travel the second half of this course of the plan of salvation.

Now I have been conscious ever since Bishop Van Wagoner called me to come to your dedicatory service tonight: The Lord has blessed this valley in the past. True enough, the people of the valley have had their difficulties, the same as other people in other valleys, as in other places of the world. But after all is said and done, if we had the history of this valley laid before us in detail, from its inception in this dispensation to now, we would find it very difficult to duplicate that history in any other spot on earth.

I told you where I was two weeks ago on Sunday, down in Manti. Last Sunday I was at this time of night traveling from Toulon, located on the Meditteranean between Marseille and Nice, through the French Alps, and into the Swiss Alps, and finally before I finished the journey came to our mission headquarters in Geneva, where the headquarters of the East French Mission are.

We went through one valley after another as we rose rather abruptly from the shores of the Meditteranean last Sunday evening. We went up into the hills at quite a steep incline, and we passed through one little valley after another, and I said as I passed through of various of these valleys, "This reminds me fo Heber Valley", and then I'd take another look at it and it didn't seem to be quite as beautiful as is yours. I am sure that there was a different atmosphere, a different environment, a different feeling. For nine hours we traveled from Toulon to Geneva over these winding mountain roads. Part of the way they flattened out a little as we went up the Rhone River, but for the most part we were climbing in and out of little canyons and little valleys, each of which were more thickly populated than Heber, but none of them certainly any more beautiful. The vegetation may have been a little greener, the rainfall being materially greater, but somehow or other sagebrush looks good to me sometimes.

It is indicative of the struggle our grandfathers made, this journey through life, and to build as they built and accomplish what they accomplished. I hope I never cease to be grateful to my forebearers--what they accomplished in the valleys of the mountains in helping to establish the Church here, and that my posterity may somehow or other hang on to the iron rod and follow the path of righteousness, and be placed in a position where each generation may improve on those who preceded them in prior generations.

You know, I said to President McKay Friday evening--and by the way, I bring you his and President Brown's very sincere greetings and blessings on this occasion. President McKay called attention that the First Presidency had met some eleven hours on Thursday and had already completed some seven hours on Friday, and I had occasion to say to President McKay, "You shouldn't brag about that. I think that any man who had ninety years of experience should be able to work a

great many more hours and accomplish a great deal more than some of us younger fellows." The President thought a moment and said, "Maybe you're right. I intend to continue to set you that kind of example." Now I'm sure that has marked the work and efforts of those who have preceded us in the Church here and in all of the wards and stakes. You know, there is not much difference after all between our wards and stakes, no matter where we live. You are just three weeks ahead of us in dedicating the meeting house in our ward. I'm sure that this being the first meeting house our ward has ever had for itself--it has always shared somebody elses--it will be a great day of rejoicing for us, and particularly if we can get President McKay to dedicate the meeting house. The bishop is trying to get me to do it. I'll leave it to your judgement: I think where we have Presiden McKay's son living in our ward, when we have his nephew for our bishop, and a humble member of the ward as his counselor, that ought to rank us the privilege for us to have him dedicate the building. So I hope and pray that on the 30th of June we'll have the President there to dedicate our new home.

It's wonderful that we can accomplish what we do. I have often been heard to say that there is not anything we cannot accomplish if we have the will to do it and provide the work. I'm sure that is as true as that we are here tonight. There is no limit to the accomplishment of the saints. When we go back in the history of the Church and read of what was accomplished, first in Kirtland--many of you have seen the Kirtland Temple. In their day in the early 1830's, it took just as much faith to start that building, I'm sure as it did later on the Nauvoo Temple and later on the Salt Lake Temple, and the other temples that grace the valleys of this state, and now these that have been built in other states and in other lands.

There is a thread of courage that has run through the history of the Church. It has characterized the saints from the organization of the Church--from 1830 to the present time. Sometimes brethren are heard to say, "We can't do this, or we can't do the other. We are not prepared to do it." I want to leave this message with you tonight that the Saints of God here, as well as elsewhere where in the world, are capable of accomplishing all that they desire to accomplish. We have the same blessings pronounced upon our heads as Moses pronounced upon ancient Israel when he told them that if they would keep the commandments which the Lord has given to you this day, that he would raise you above all other nations upon the earth, And would give to you all of the blessings, the blessings of life, fertility to the fields, and the blessings of the Lord to your families and your posterity.

Now I have had a rather consuming feeling within me since the Bishop asked me to come here. Your people in the past, these two generations of which the Bishop apoke that have gone before you--maybe in some instances three generations--have been as blessed as any people upon this earth. And whether you realize it or not, you are blessed to the same extent today, and if through your faithfulness, if we really kept the commandments of God as we should--which I am sure those of you are here tonight are endeavoring to do to the best of our ability--this could become the most fertile, the most productive, one of the lovliest spots upon the face of the earth, dedicated as it is for the dwelling of the Saints of God in this last dispensation. The ground itself is blessed.

You need only to read the Book of Mormon, and you need go no farther than second Nephi, to realize how tremendously great and definite the blessings of the Lord are pronounced upon this land and pronounced upon our control--our husbandship. I say to you tonight in all humility, ~~is~~ that all we need to do is to serve the Lord and keep His commandments. We need not worry about the arm of flesh; we need not worry about what others may do or say. We have the Gospel of Jesus Christ to guide and direct us in our lives and to bring the spirit of our Heavenly Father into our homes and into our lives; and if we build upon that heritage which is ours, especially we who have had two or three generations of our family before us upon which we can very definitely build up the family, and if we would realize the heritage which is ours, we would know which of the two paths to take. There are only two. They are inescapable. We take either the one or the other. We either throw away and discard--put to one side and make useless-that which has gone before in our progress and in the progress of our progenitors, or we take the road upon which we progress and build upon the foundations which they have left us, and that perfects the foundation upon which our children and grandchildren can build, because the very basis of this great plan of life and salvation is eternal progress, and you are as familiar as I am with the steps that we must take in order to enjoy this blessing of eternal progress, not only through immortality but through mortality.

When we undertake to do anything which is unnatural, when we undertake to exceed the limits of our bounds or our power, or the power that we have received from our Heavenly Father, we are soon brought ot task. We soon realize our own inadequacy; our own inability to exceed those limits. I don't know much about outer space or what these astronouts are doing. I was rather interested to read in the paper yesterday or the day before an article by a learned doctor who said when we get beyond the reach of gravity, which is a force and a power which keep the elements of the body functioning properly, which are essentiol for the proper relationship of the parts of the body--when we get into outer space where the force of gravity--(where our friend Cooper was for thirty four or five hours) that we may lose the power to coordinate things as they are, and that the mind loses relationship to the body. Now these things are far beyond my knowledge and understanding, and I don't know whether they do or not, but the thought occured to me that so far as we are concerned in our daily lives, how wonderful it is for us to know and know with an absolute assurance, so long as we keep our feet on the ground and walk along those paths of truth and righteousness, what the result is going to be. And that testimony is born into our hearts by the gift and power of the Holy Ghost, and about that there can be no concern.

You know, it is wonderful for us to know the power that is vested in us as a body of Priesthood. It is not a power that is possessed alone by President McKay, but is a power that each and everyone of us in our own rights can develop. And if by perchance President McKay has a greater power and greater influence and can exercise it for more good than some of the rest of us, it is solely predicated upon the fact that he has worked harder than we have to acquire it. We start out with the same priesthood. We start out with the same mental and spiritual and physical power, because the Lord is no respector of persons. And if one of us gets a little further along than another, it's always comforting for me to know that if I can just keep myself within the appropriate confines that even though I may fall a bit behind once in a while, the time will come when I will catch up.

You know, down here at this solemn assembly at Manti two weeks ago, as these brethren filed into the temple there was a man brought over to shake hands with the President. He is Patriarch Carpenter of the Manti Stake--one hundred and two years old, and he is just as active and spry as a man that age could be. He continues to give Patriarchal Blessings and the Stake President says he never misses a meeting, Priesthood, or sacrament, and he seems to enjoy life, and it was quite a sight to see him shake hands with President McKay. President McKay said to him, "Well Brother Carpenter, you have twelve years the advantage of me, but I'm going to catch up with you." I said to myself then, how marvelous it is to have that kind of a spirit when you are ninety years of age or thereabouts, and to realize and appreciate that no matter how much you accomplish--and certainly few men have had the opportunity or have accomplished any greater mission than President Mc Kay. As a boy I remember when he was called into the Quorum in 1906. That's a long time ago, and there is hardly a day or an hour or a minute in all of those years that he hasn't been seeking to actively fulfill the calling that has been his. I can assure you that today he is active and desirous of accomplishing everything that he should accomplish as a young man would be. And when he said he was going to catch up with Brother Carpenter, I really believed it, and I know that the President believes it.

He said on another occasion, "People may see me shuffle my feet occasionally as I go along and think that I haven't long to be with you," but, he says, "I'm going to fool you. I'm going to be here quite a while." I believe that is the spirit that we all ought to have. At least I'm grateful that I can come under that kind of influence and have the privilege to have it sink in and maybe some of it rub off, because as I stand before you tonight I have no desire in my heart but to serve the Lord and keep His commandments and to be of assistance to my fellowmen and to have them assist me. I need their assistance, I'm sure, as much as they need mine. This is a mutual undertaking. We are in very deed the children of our Heavenly Father. There is a brotherhood that exists between us that cannot be defeated, except by transgression. There is a fatherhood that exists between us and our Maker which is likewise eternal in its nature. I know as I live that as brethren unite themselves in this Church and in Priesthood activities--I believe with all my heart and soul that when two missionaries in the field labor together they are bound together by a bond of the holy priesthood that will keep them bound together as servants of the Lord throughout the eternities; a relationship that will not cease with death, that can only be terminated by transgression.

And even when we transgress, brothers and sisters, I sometimes don't feel too badly about it. I have that abiding conviction that the Lord will forgive any of us most anything that we do if we seek His forgiveness, if we want it. It's like attaining any other goal in life; it will not be thrust upon us. But if we have transgressed

in the past and we truly repent and mend our ways and transgress no more, the Lord is going to look down on us in tender mercy and give us a true forgiveness. I just have an abiding faith in my heart that every day of our lives there is a clean sheet presents itself to us--nothing written on it. It's a sheet out of the book of life by which we'll be judged, and we are the authors of what will appear upon that sheet when the day is over. How wonderful it is to have a knowledge and an assurance in our heart that we can arise every morning of our lives, if we have the true spirit of repentance, we can be forgiven of that which has been amiss in the past, and accomplish the righteous desires of our hearts. Otherwise the Savior would not have said to His desciples when they asked Him how many times they should forgive, Seven times? His answer was "seventy times seventy." Now that to me means the day will never come when the principle of repentance and the principle of mercy will not apply.

I turned to this page before I got up here (in second Nephi) and I'm going to take a little time to read a passage ot two, even though my my baby sister whom I have with me tonight--when I said she might not get home very early after this meeting, she said, "We will if you don't speak too long", but O'm going to do it anyhow. I told her I was going to speak as long as I wanted to, but I won't keep you very much longer, brothers and sisters, Here is what Nephi said:

"For it behooveth the Great Creator that He suffereth Himself to become subject unto man in the flesh, and died for all men that all men might become subject unto Him; for as death has passed upon all men to fulfill the merciful plan of the Great Creator, there must be a power or Resurrection, and the Resurrection must needs come unto man by reason of the fall, and the fall came by reason of the transgression, and because man may become fallen they were cut off from the presence of the Lord". Now we know, of course, that this was all in keeping with His great plan, "therefore it must needs be an infinite atonement." Now and infinite atonement, my brothers and sisters, means a complete, an actual, a merciful forgiveness of that which we may do amiss on account of the weakness of the flesh, if we follow the course which the Lord has perscribed to make our forgiveness and repentance complete. "Wherefore it must needs be an infinite atonement." Save it were an infinite atonement, this corruption could not put on incorruption. Now what does that mean? It means that even though we transgress the law, we can still put off that corruption so that we may become incorrupt--regain our privilege, our opportunity, our blessings and our rights to come back onto the presence of God, that we might not be a foreigner or a stranger, but a fellow member in the household of God. Now that's our position. I'm sure of one thing: that none of us have lessened our chances to fill the full purpose of our creation here upon the earth by helping to build this chapel. I think it's going to make the second half of our journey to heaven much better, much easier, not only for ourselves but for the future generations who come after us.

Now I have wanted to say a word about one other matter. That is that I believe that President Cummings and your Bishop and others were inspired to start this porgram when they started it, that it might be completed. Because every indication that we have today is that this valley chosen above all other valleys in the world is going to be a show place of the world, and in place of us having to send missionaries out into the world to preach the Gospel, that the world will come here, and they are going to look upon us, When I saw these lovely homes and lovely gardens and beautiful flowers blooming as we came into Midway this evening, I said to myself, "The Lord is inspiring His people here to prepare themselves for the tremendous mission that lies ahead," The Lord's blessings will continue to be with us as we fit and qualify ourselves to accomplish the great mission which lies ahead, as all these choice sons and daughters throughout the world will come here and will sense that they're in a different environment, and a different spirit and a freindliness and a hospitality exists here among the Latter Day Saints that was not cultivated over night.

I came here with my father as a young boy to visit Sister Ross that used to live here. I don't suppose any of you are old enough enough to remember her, but she did live here with her family, and I have kept track of her family ever since. Her daughter who was with her at that time lived in my Stake in Salt Lake County till the time of her death, and her grandchildren are still continuing on. That was my first contact and it was a pleasant contact. I was pleased to come here as a child with my father. I have been so pleased to come here and I have been so grateful to the Lord for the associations that I have had with President and Sister Cummings and their family, and those who have been associated with them in the owrk of this Stake--all of them. This has become a spot that is choice and loved by the leaders of the Church. All of them have felt the hospitality of you brothers and sisters. I'm sure that whatever you do to improve your conditions here by way of not only your meeting places but your homes, the environment generally is going to constitute one of the great missionary forces of the Church.

To this end I hope and pray that the Lord will bless us to accomplish in full measure what we should do in this respect. The mere fact that you have more missionaries in the mission field than at any other time in the history of the ward is fine. These young men, even though they do not all stay here, are still performing a great work. I have become very closely associated and very intimate with Coleman Madsen. Seldom a week goes by that I don't hear from him. While he isn't here to be with you, he is still one of you in spirit and still recognizes this as his birthplace and his home. I wish I knew all of them that have left here because if we did we would have one of the richest chapters in the history of the Church, from those who have been born in this wonderful valley and carried out into the world the spirit of their home, the spirit of their community.

Now if you will join with me we shall offer a prayer for the dedication of this Church Building:

Dedicatory Prayer

Our Father in Heaven, we approach Thee humbly and gratefully this beautiful Sabbath evening with our hearts filled with gratitude for the success the labor of our hands has brought to us in the completion and payment of this wonderful addition to our old meeting house here in the Midway First Ward.

We invoke Thy blessings on this altered building, this new construction, and pray that the dedicatory prayer offered at this dedication of the original meeting house might be renewed upon this occasion, the same as though it were quoted word for word; that all of the blessings therein pronounced upon that building might continue in the building which we now present to you in its modified form as Thy house--a house in which Thy sons and daughters might continue to meet with their families and their friends to worship Thee and to enjoy a rich outpouring of Thy spirit.

We pray, our Father in Heaven, as we dedicate this building unto Thee, that Thy spirit which attended this meeting in the passing of the sacrament, the fine spirit and service rendered by our priests and our deacons may ever be the case. May it be symbolic of all such subsequent meetings, that these young men in the performance of their duties in the Aaronic Priesthood may be blessed and inspired of Thee to grow strong in Thy work and be worthy to receive the higher priesthood and to go and fulfil their missions in life acceptable unto Thee and satisfactory and pleasing unto themselves.

Now we invoke the choicest blessings of the Lord upon Bishop VanWagoner and his counselors and all the officers and teachers of the ward--all who participate in carrying out the great program of the Church here in this ward, and we likewise bless those of the Second Ward of this great Stake of Zion. May they continue to grow and prosper and be fruitful in every respect and may the work which has proceeded our work continues to be blessed and sanctified of Thee. And from the basis on which we can grow and develop and strengthen our testimony.

Father, we dedicate this building unto Thee that this may ever be a house of worship, a house of prayer, a house of thanksgiving, where we can renew our covenants by partaking of the sacrament of the Lord's supper. That we can bring our children here to be blessed, and when they are baptized, to be confirmed and receive the Holy Ghost. May those who are called upon to teach and to preach be inspired with the principles of truth, and may their message be carried on into the hearts of their listeners by the gift and power of the Holy Ghost. That this building, with the love and sacrifice and devotion that went into its completion may continue to be a means of cementing natural affections, family relationship. That it may be a place where those who have cause to mourn may come and be comforted, and those who are sick be blessed and healed.

Now Father, we are grateful unto Thee for the restoration of the Gospel, for the great work of the ministry of the Prophet Joseph and all who have followed him. We pray this day that Thy blessings will be upon President David O. McKay and upon Sister McKay, that they may continue their lives; that Thy inspiration and Thy revelation may attend the President as he undertakes to direct Thy work here upon the earth and to counsel Thy people, not only the membership of the Church, not only the holders of the Priesthood, but all mankind who seek after righteousness. May his influence as a prophet of God be felt strongly among the nations of the earth and among all mankind.

Now Father in Heaven, may the influence of the priesthood be felt by those who govern nations and may matters be so ordained, our Heavenly Father, that peace may continue upon the earth to a degree necessary to continue the promulgation of Thy Gospel, and to bring out of the world those who are seeking after the truth, and to spare them from the suffering and death which awaits the world through forces of evil which are at work to a greater extent and a greater degree than ever before. Now we acknowledge before

Thee likewise the powers of righteousness and the power of Thy priesthood are also greater today, and we constitute a part of the great society of the brotherhood of saints throughout the world at large dedicated to keeping Thy commandments. We pray that not only do we dedicate this meetinghouse to Thee this night, but that we also dedicate our lives, our homes, and all that we have to the establishment of peace and righteousness upon the earth.

Now, our Father in Heaven, by virtue of the holy priesthood which is in us vested, we do dedicate this building to Thee and to Thy name as one of Thy worshiping assemblies. Hallowed be the labor which has gone into the construction, the supervision, the patience, and the care, the excellence of the work, that all may redound to the benefit and blessing that has gone into it who have participated. We take this opportunity to bless the ground upon which this building stands once again, and to call down Thy blessings upon the land of this valley, that its fertility and production may be increased, that Thy saints here may continue to be blessed and prospered and qualified to do all the work which Thou would have them do.

We pray especially this night for all who have gone forth from this ward and this community and this stake to the nations of the earth to preach the Gospel, to preside over missions, to perform services to which they have been specifidally called by Him who presides over us here upon the earth, that their missions may be complete as Thy spirit intended, that they may be privileged to return home when released to strengthen in every way, strength and from the community from which they went forth with the experiences and blessings of their services.

We pray that the sick in this stake may be blessed, Thy healing power and influence be over them that they may be healed of their infirmities and brought to a knowledge of Thy goodness and Thy mercies. Those who have any pangs of conscience may they realize the appropriate steps to be taken, that they may clear their conscience before God and before man. And those who mourn, may their hearts be comforted; may they be blessed with the knowledge of the well-being of those who have departed this life, and our early renewal of our relationship with them.

Now, Father, accept of our humble supplications and prayers and gratitudes and of this building. Preserve it against the elements. Permit that it shall stand undisturbed. Permit that whether it be friend or foe, cause that they shall be bettered by even passing this edifice, say nothing about entering into it and feeling of the spirit which we pray shall be ever present; that it may be held in reverence by the young as well as the old and shall continue to be a place where Thy spirit shall dwell to the edification of Thy sons and daughters.

These blessings we pray for, our Father in Heaven, with a forgiveness of our weakness and imperfections. We do it humbly, in the name of the Lord, Jesus Christ, Amen.

Bishop VanWagoner:

We would like to thank everyone who has helped with the program, and especially our beloved President Moyle. We sustain and love him with all our hearts. We want him to know how much we appreciate him being here. We would like to thank each and every one who has helped in any way, and especially those who brought the boquets of flowers, especially Brother and Sister Wooten. I would like to acknowledge that they helped us too. Our closing song by the choir, "King of Glory", after which Brother Ray Pyper, a former counselor will offer the benediction.

Midway First Ward Choir: "King of Glory"

The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,
The world and they that dwell therein.
The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,
And they that dwell therein.
For He hath founded it upon the seas
And established it upon the floods,
And established it upon the floods,
Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord
And who shall stand in His holy place,
In His holy place?

He that hath clean hands and a pure heart,
He that hath clean hands and a pure heart,
Who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity
Nor sworn deceitfully.

He shall receive the blessings of the Lord
And righteousness, and righteousness
From the God of His salvation.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates,
And be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors,
And the King of Glory shall come in.

Who is this King of Glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty
The Lord might in battle.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning
As it was in the beginning,
Is nowsand ever, ever shall be
Worlds without end.
Amen.

Benediction: Ray V. Pyper

Our Father in Heaven, we come before Thee at the close of this sacrament and dedication meeting. We are truly thankful for the privilege and opportunity we have had of being here on this memorable occasion. We are thankful for the Gospel of Jesus Christ and for the blessings it brings into each of our lives. Help us that we may live and teach the Gospel through the lives we live, for we know there are many who are watching us. We ask Thee, Heavenly Father, to be with us at all times, that we may carry these things into our hearts and into our lives, to those who are seeking for the truth. We ask Thee at this time to be with those who are sick or otherwise detained from this service, that Thy spirit may be with them that they may return and worship with us. Heavenly Father, we now ask Thee to protect all of us as we return to our homes, that nothing may befall us, that we may return to our homes in safety. Dismiss un now with Thy blessings, we ask in the name of Thy Son Jesus Christ, Amen.

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A Tribute to Roy Kohler

by Richard K. Circuit

Brother, bishop, farmer, soldier, counselor — words are inadequate to describe this unique multi-talented man. Roy touched so many people in all walks of life that one could hear 1,000 testimonies of his magnanmity and not a single one would be the same. Of course, each vignette would reveal similar themes of service, generosity and love. Some anecdotes would be marked by humor, others pathos and long suffering. Almost every tale about his life could be summed up in two words: *he cared.*

Roy was a man of God, yet he was a man for all seasons. He was a rugged, tireless laborer who often stretched his physical effort to superhuman capacity; yet he loved to read, sing and watch a seagull glide in for a landing on the morning tide at La Jolla shores.

Roy was an excellent athlete. His best sport was baseball. He enjoyed the superiority and success of BYU football teams; yet his real loves were watching his own boys wrestle, play basketball or baseball and coaching underdog groups of boys who failed to make the high school squads.

Roy was a popular public servant being elected to numerous councils, boards and governing bodies (he was somewhat of a folk hero with his crumpled straw hat); yet he was a good samaritan, an anonymous giver who performed many of his good deeds covered by the cloak of darkness long after his own work day was completed.

Roy was a bold and vigorous leader as bishop, working almost beyond his calling to see that none of his flock were lost; yet he was devoted and teachable as he served in numerous church positions.

Roy was a friend to both saints and sinners. He and Phyllis often shared Sunday dinner with President Benson; yet he just as much enjoyed chewing on a stalk of alfalfa while counseling a young man working on his farm.

Roy fixed washing machines and the souls of men with equal aplomb. He built hay barns for his cattle and character for wayfaring young people. As he wired countless homes for light, his life was a beacon of light to all he touched.

When Roy died on May 12, 1987, a bit of each of us departed with him; yet some of Roy will remain with each of us. And, as in any trade with Roy, we will have more of him than he will have of us.

HOLIDAY GREETING FOR 1983 FROM THE ROY KOHLER FAMILY. . . .

For various reasons we have missed sending our family card to you the last couple of years. Certainly not because we have forgotten. We want to make up for that now by bringing you up to date on what has been happening at our house.

MICK: Graduated from Utah State University. Now a Lt. in the USNAF. Pilots a P3 (sub chaser), stationed at Moffit Field, California. Was on a six-month deployment to Okinawa this time last year. Decided to return to Civilian life in January 1984.
Wife: Kim. Daughters: Angela and Melanie.

MIKE: After two years at Utah State and graduating from UTC in Electrical Animation, he now works on the farm with Roy and is completing a new home here.
Wife: Laurie. Sons: Scotty, Troy and Bradley.

PHILLIP: Graduate of Utah State-CPA. He was married last September 9th to Shanna Lindsey of Brigham City, is employed by Jans Ltd. of Park City, lives in Salt Lake.

KATHY: Lived in Portland, Ore. one year while Mike studied to become a Funeral Director. Now lives in Salt Lake where he is employed by Goff Mortuary and she is a receptionist-dental assistant for Larsen Dental Assoc.
Daughters are Heidi & Hailey.

GRANT: Completed Mission in New York and is now attending his last year at Utah State, studying Automotive Engineering. Intends to return to farm with Roy & Mike. Last September 14th he was married to Caralee Clark of Bountiful. Both couples were married in the Salt Lake Temple.

KAM: Completed his mission in Oakland, Calif. He returned to his studies of accounting and computer science at Utah State. He spends his summers at home. He is not married YET, but he is definitely looking.

NATHAN: Graduated from Wasatch High School and Seminary, attended one quarter at Utah State. Stayed home winter quarter to help Mike while Roy was recuperating from surgery. Left in April for his mission in North Carolina. He is our 6th (100%) Eagle Scout. He will be home before next Christmas.

NANCEE: Senior at Wasatch- 3rd year member of the National Award Winning Waspette Drill Team. Spends many hours practicing. She enjoys many and varied activities. She is now training to be a dental assistant after school.
18 yrs. old.

LISA: Sophmore at Wasatch. Her big 16th birthday will be New Years Eve. She is working with the Drill Team, loves to be active in everything that comes along, sings well and is now counting the hours til she can get her drivers license.

When Grant finished his mission, we had a wonderful trip to the East to pick him up. We went by Motor Home with Nathan, Nancee, Lisa and Matts Arvidsson, a Swedish Exchange Student. We met Grant and then Matts parents who flew from Sweden. We appreciated the opportunity to meet the parents of two of our exchange students, Torbjorn and Matts. They are all very special to us.

1983 brought two new little Grand Children, Bradley—#6, and Hailey—#7 and two lovely new daughters, Phillips Shanna and Grants Caralee. One year ago Roy was in the hospital for surgery. This was followed by six months of Chemo Therapy and then Radiation treatments. The last three months he has been feeling better and better. Getting over the treatments is almost as bad as the illness. Now it is time for a check up to see how everything is going.

We are all still involved in Church responsibilities, Midway Boosters (for Swiss Days), High School Boosters (Football Field lights, new track, new mat for wrestlers, drill team expenses, and other needs of the school).

We are most grateful to you, our friends and family for all the kind messages of concern and encouragement, prayers and help of all kinds. To all of you, our heartfelt thanks.

May this holiday bring an abundance of the precious things of life: HEALTH, happiness and enduring friendships. We look forward to sharing 1984 with you!!!

Sincerely,

Roy + Phyllis

Nathan
Kam
Grant
Kathy

Mick
Mike
Phil

Nancee
Mom

Lisa
Dad

Bradley

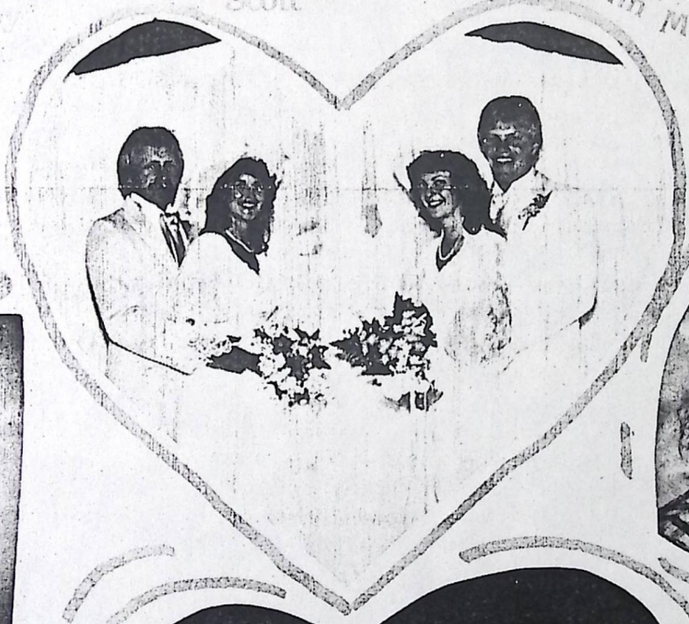
Scott

Mike

Kim Melanie

Mick
Angela

Phil
&
Shanna



Grant & CaraLee

Elder Nathan Kohler

Lisa

Heidi

Mike

Hailey

Kathy

Kam

Nancee

Roy Kohler Family

Let's Get Acquainted

by Ruby M. Compton

Alma and Nettie Huber

Alma Huber was born in Park City on December 30, 1904. He was the fourth of eleven children born to John M. and Elizabeth Gertsch Huber. His mother was born in Wengen, Switzerland, and his father was the first boy born in the town of "Mound City", just northwest of where the present town of Midway was settled later. Alma's people were from the ern part of Switzerland.

Alma's grandfather John (pronounced as Johannes) Huber later returned to that area of Switzerland from which he had come, to fill a mission for the L.D.S. Church. He and his family had been early converts and he was influential in the conversion of many people and managed to convince them of the advantages of coming to live in Utah. About 50% of the people in Midway were Swiss.

Johannes Huber returned to Midway and was a great help and comfort to many who had come to live in this community of Swiss people. When the time came to translate the Book of Mormon into the German language, he did much of that work for the Church. He homesteaded in Snake Creek and raised his family there.

Alma Huber's father, John M., worked in the mines and mills in Park City and farmed in Midway. His home was built at 395 W. 2nd No., Midway, just through the block from where Alma lives on 1st North.

Alma Huber has lived in Midway ever since his family returned from Park City, when he was three or four years old. He attended the District school in Midway, then went on to high school in Heber, he graduated from Wasatch High School in 1923 and went on to the Brigham Young University. In 1926, he was called to fill a mission for the L.D.S. Church. He served in the Swiss-German Mission until he returned home in August of 1929.

A new school teacher came to Midway in the fall of 1929, she stayed at the home of Emma and Parley Probst, and Alma soon became acquainted with her.

Her name was Nettie Smith, she was the fifth of eight children born to William E. and Elsie Eeyre Smith. Nettie graduated from Beaver High School in 1925, then she went to the Utah Agricultural College in Logan, now known as the Utah State University. She completed her formal education and taught two years in Beaver before comming to teach in Midway.

Nettie completed her two year contract in Midway before she and Alma were married in the St. George L.D.S. Temple on Nov. 3, 1931.

Soon after their marriage, Alma was asked to serve as Counselor in the Midway Second Ward, after two years in this work, he became that Ward's Bishop for the next eight years, (from 1935-1945).

Nettie had been organist for her ward when she was twelve years old and lived in Beaver, Utah. She became Sunday School organist in Midway Second Ward and has enjoyed her work in each of the auxiliary church organizations during the following years. She has served as Ward Organist; Counselor in Primary; 9 years as President of the Relief Society; and as a board member of the Stake Relief Society for 7 years. She is, also, a Visiting Teacher for the Relief Society.

Alma owned and operated a dairy farm, the dairy barn stood where the State Park Visiting Center now stands. His was one of the properties bought by the state to complete the park.

Alma has been very active in his church work right along. After he was Bishop, he served in the Presidency of the High Priest Quorum both in the Ward and the Stake, those who served with him were Clyde Ritchie and Alma Duke.

Shortly after Stake President Harold Call came into office, the presidency of the Stake High Priests was disolved and Alma Huber served as Ward Group Leader. He has served in various positions throughout the years.

Alma's civic work has been as Chairman of Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Committee of Wasatch County; also, as a member of the Soil Conservation Service Committee of Wasatch County; he was on the Selective Service Board for 25 years; President of Midway Irrigation Co. for many years; and he is a member of Midway Planning Committee; and a member of Wasatch Weed Committee.

Alma has always liked to plant and care for a really large vegetable garden and he still does this. He and Nettie love to raise flowers too. All of their activity has helped to influence the five children born to them, all born in Midway.

Douglas was born Oct. 26, 1932, he now works for Safeway. He is Supervisor of Safeway Dairy Products and lives in Walnut Creek, Calif., he travels a lot in order to cover the area that is his responsibility. He married Donna Quayle of Logan, Ut. They have two children.

Don was born April 1, 1935, he married Arlene Nuttall, of St. George, Ut. They have five children. He works as Cash County Agricultural Agent and Extension Service. They live in Logan, Utah.

Edith married Jack Young, she was born on May 29, 1938. They have six children. Edith is now on the Stake Relief Society Board. Jack Young works for the Soil Conservation in Wasatch, Summit and Utah Counties, they live in Heber City, Utah.

Annette was born on June 24, 1941. She married Larry Giles and they have five children. They live in Provo, Utah, where Larry is an Insurance Adjuster.

Mark S. was born April 17, 1945. He married Colleen Miller from Manti, Utah, they have two children. Mark is a chemist for Hiland Dairy in Salt Lake. They live in West Jordan, Ut., where Mark is now a member of the Stake Presidency.

Two of the boys were able to finish church missions, but the other one was inducted into the armed services right away. All three of the boys served in the armed services. All three have their Masters Degree in their chosen field of work, and Annette has her B.S. degree in Education. They all attended the University of Utah.

Alma and Nettie said each of their five children were married in the Temple. They have 20 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren with two more on the way.

Alma and Nettie Huber have served two missions together, one for the Wasatch Stake Mission, and one in Texas, San Antonio was their headquarters. They have been Provo Temple Workers since 1971 and love their work there.

While Alma has been busy with church and civic activities, and his vegetable gardens, Nettie has served her church, her community and children well. Her hobbies have included raising of flowers, knitting and quilting. She is finishing a lovel quilt and has just two more to go to give each of her 20 grandchildren one of her lovely quilts.

Nettie is a member of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers. She and Alma have been members of the Midway Boosters Club since it was organized. Nettie is also a member of the Midway Home Culture Club.

In 1971 Alma and Nettie was chosen as honored citizens of Midway.

They celebrated their Golden Anniversary on Nov. 3, 1981. They are happy in their home and seem to be in good health.

We wish them many more years of happiness and good companionship.

Wasatch Wave

Heber City, UT 84032

Thursday, March 3, 1983

HISTORY OF VIRGINIA BIGLER
By Her Daughter - Virginia Faye Cummings
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Virginia Bigler was born November 2, 1898, the last of three girls born to Robert Martyn and Mary Ann Sutherland Martyn. The oldest girl passed away at the age of sixteen, before Mother was born. The second sister lived into her 80's.

Mother's early childhood was crippled by poverty. Her father fell down a mine shaft when she was about three years old. He was never able to walk again. Her mother took in washings to support the family. At an early age, Mother was picking up and delivering the launderies for her mother.

When she was about eleven or twelve years old, she began cleaning houses for other people. Her father passed away when she was about thirteen years old. A short time before he passed away, her mother found employment cleaning the school house so things became a little better.

Mother was only able to obtain an eighth grade education, but in spite of everything, she graduated as Valedictorian of her class.

She went to work in an ice cream parlor soon after graduation, then worked at a boarding house, where she met her husband, Charles Fredrick Bigler.

Mother had four children, ten grand-children, and twenty-four great grand-children. She had outlived two of her children. Colleen, the youngest, passed away July 4, 1978, and Bob, the oldest, passed away February 17, 1985.

When she was first married, they lived in the Eureka area for a few years, then moved to Midway, where they bought the family farm from Dad's mother. Farming was hard for her, as she didn't know anything about it - when or how to plant the vegetables or other crops.

She often gave her mother-in-law credit for helping her get started. This was in the "Depression" years, and she always took a number of nieces and nephews to live with her in the summer, as there was always enough food grown on the farm or cooked in her kitchen to feed them. It was not unusual for twenty or twenty-five people to sit down to the dinner table for a meal.

One of my best memories is of the winter evenings after everyone had finished their chores. Mother would get the Family Bible or a good book and read to us for an hour or so before going to bed.

Another memory is during the summer when we would have a rain storm, the family would all gather on the porch to watch the rain and lightning while mother told stories of the past. Virginia's mother lived with her until she passed away in 1934.

With her cool head and common sense, many of the neighbors would come to her in time of need, and she always did what needed doing, from cutting hair to sitting with the ill so their families could get some much needed sleep, as few could afford to go to the hospital.

Honesty, loyalty, and hard work she taught by example. Her love for children is well known. Two of her grand-children lived with her for eight years, and she helped with four or five others whenever the need arose.

Dad passed away in 1941, of Miners Consumption. He had been ill for a few years, and nearly bedfast for a year. With two daughters still at home, she kept the farm running until Bob came home from the Navy.

Mother worked for Schneitter's Hot Pots as a cook in the 1940's and early 1950's. After work, she still had her garden, flowers, children, and whatever needed done around the farm to do.

Many of her evenings were spent embroidering pillow cases, etc. Most of them she has given away to some member of her family.

One of her favorite sayings goes something like this. "When you feel picked on, look around and you will see someone much worse off than you. Help them if you can, and things will look brighter."

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TRIBUTE TO VIRGINIA FAIR MARTYN BIGLER

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Virginia Fair Martyn Bigler was born November 2, 1898, at Mammoth, Utah in Juab County, to Robert and Mary Ann Sutherland Martyn.

She was the youngest of three daughters. Mary Ann and Violate were the two oldest. Virginia was twelve years younger than Violate, with no other children being born in between.

Her father had migrated from England as a single man, and found work in the silver mines in Juab County.

Her grand-mother Sutherland came from England with three little girls, along with her brother, Tom Sutherland and family. One of these little girls grew up to be Virginia's mother.

Virginia never did know any of her Martyn relatives. One of her father's brothers did come to California, but Virginia never did see him.

The name "Virginia Fair" was the name of her parent's friend, and she was named after her.

Virginia was very young when her father fell down the mine shaft, breaking his lower back. He was hardly able even to get around, and finally he couldn't walk any more and had to lay in bed all the time. Her mother had to take care of him until he died at age sixty years old. She had to take in washings to provide for her family. Virginia, at an early age, helped pick up and deliver the launderies for her mother.

Her oldest sister died from Typhoid Fever when she was 15 or 16 years old, and they buried Mary Ann in Springville, Utah.

Virginia's family moved to Silver City, and she grew up here and attended school up to and including the eighth grade, with James Stork as her teacher.

When she was eleven or twelve years old, she started cleaning houses for people. Then when she was fourteen years old, she went to work for a Mrs. Walters boarding house, washing dishes for her. Virginia was so short she had to stand on a stool to wash the dishes. She worked here for two years for fifty cents a day. Then she went to work for Mrs. Conroy at her boarding house for miners and others for one dollar a day. She worked here two years.

She then went to work at the Confectionary for Mrs. Begore, as she said she would give her five dollars a day. It was while she was working here selling ice cream, sandwiches, candy and such, that she met Charles Fredrick Bigler. He tormented her so much that she couldn't stand him. He called everyone "sweetheart", and she just hated him.

Charles had a widowed sister, Lizzie Haney, who lived in Mammoth, and it was only a little ways from Silver City. One day Lizzie asked Virginia why she didn't come and see her and visit with her. So, Virginia asked her cousin, Beatrice Sutherland, her Uncle Tom's daughter, to go with her. They walked over the hill to visit Lizzie. While they were there, Charles and Karl Haney came there, and they invited Virginia and Beatrice to ride to Midway with them to visit his mother, Rosette Bigler.

Virginia had gone with other guys in a crowd or group in that small community where she lived in Silver City.

After that day, they started going together, and they later ended up going steady, and were married later in Provo, Utah, by an Elder of the L.D.S. Church on September 2, 1918. They went back to Eureka to live, and Charles worked in the mine there.

Their first child, a son, was born at Silver City, Utah, May 22, 1920. He was named Robert Hugh Bigler.

Then Charles heard his mother wanted to sell her farm, and they came back to Midway to help his mother run the farm. Their second son, Forrest, was born here in the Alma Durtschi home, which was owned by someone else at that time. He was born November 28, 1921. He wasn't very strong, and was a delicate child and was sick a lot.

Due to his mother's poor health, Charles purchased the farm from his mother. They moved into the home in the two back rooms, and his mother lived in the front room of the house. They closed up the door between her room and the two back rooms, so the children wouldn't keep running in and out of her room and bothering her.

Later on, she became quite ill, and went to live with her daughter, Mary and her husband, Earnest Kohler. She later died and was buried in the Midway Cemetery in 1930.

Due to Forrest's delicate health condition, he became very ill at one time, and Virginia had to take him down to Salt Lake to a doctor. She stayed with her mother's sister, Aunt Jane Rhodes.

While she was here with her Aunt Jane, the home teachers came to visit there. After they left, Virginia asked her if she cared if she had the Elders come and give Forrest a blessing. The doctor had told Virginia when he came to see Forrest, that he would not live through the night. Her Aunt Jane said, "No, I don't care if you have them come if you believe in that crap. Go ahead and have them come!" So, Virginia went out and looked for their car on the street. When she found it where they were teaching the other people, she waited until they came out of the house, and asked them if they'd come back to her Aunt Jane's and give her baby a blessing. They said, "Yes, they'd be glad to do it." They went back and blessed Forrest and went on their way. By morning the next day, Forrest's fever had broken and he was much improved. When the doctor came to check up on him, he said, "Holy Toledo!, I waited for you to call me all night so I could come make out his death certificate." The doctor was surprised at his fast improvement.

This incident of healing made a great impact on her Aunt Jane, and impressed her so much that she later joined the L.D.S. Church. Virginia's parents never did join the L.D.S. Church.

Virginia had joined the church when her sister, Violate's chil[illegible] her if she'd go with them to be baptized, so she decided to be bapti[illegible] same day too. This was after she had Robert and Forrest that she bec[illegible] member of the L.D.S. Church. She also became a member of the Relief Soc[illegible]

Forrest was always a delicate boy until he grew up to be a man and overcome his illness. The doctor told Virginia if his heart had been as bad as his lungs, he would have died years ago.

Two little girls came to bless their home, and they loved and enjoyed their daughters, Virginia Faye and Twila Collene, along with their two sons. They all brought them much joy.

Virginia's mother came to live with her and family in later years, and one day she was laying down to rest as she didn't feel her best. Virginia was called to answer the phone at Schneitter's Hot Pots. Her mother passed away while Virginia was gone. I know how sad this would make her, as I nea[illegible], folded up when I lost my dear mother. Her mother lived to be 72 years [illegible] and Virginia's sister, Violate, lived to be in her 80's before s[illegible] This left Virginia the only remaining member of her family aliv[illegible] Virginia's mother in Springville by Mary Ann.

Charles ran the farm and worked at times in the Park City m[illegible] out, as many farmers did here in Midway and the Heber Valley. Vi[illegible] the children helped him too.

In the late 1930's, Charles became ill with Miners Comsumption. The last year or so of his life he was so ill that he had to spend much of his time in bed. Virginia had to take care of him. She and the children had to care for the farm also. He passed away in 1941. At this time, Robert was away in the Navy, as World War II was on then. So, she had to keep the farm going herself, with the help of Forrest and the girls. Forrest wanted to go to the service too, but his health as it was, he was turned down. So, Virginia had to keep the farm running until Robert came out of the Navy after the war ended.

Before Charles passed away, and before Robert was too old to be sealed to them, they took their children to the Salt Lake Temple and had them sealed together as a family.

When Robert returned from the Navy, he helped her run the farm for many years, and they raised beef cattle. Robert never married until later in life. He then married June Eatough Fields. She had three children and two grandchildren, as she was divorced. They were married September 29, 1973, in Midway, and lived close by. Robert still did the farming and helped Virginia all he could.

Forrest and the two girls married and all have families, some of her ten grand-children, and twenty-four great grand-children. She has four step-grand-children, and seven step-great grand-children from Robert's wife's children, and her step-son, Earl Bigler and wife.

Her posterity honor and revere her very much, and are proud to be her children, grand-children, and great grand-children. I have been there, and witnessed this love.

Forrest married Betty Swanstrom, September 3, 1955, and they have three sons and grand-children. They live in Daniels, and are very thoughtful of Virginia and always come to help her and look after her needs. Betty is so good to her. I was there one day when she came at noon with her dinner. Virginia said she brought it every day at noon, and how nice she thought it was of her to do so. Forrest helps her with the farm now.

I also know that she appreciates the goodness to her from Robert's wife, June. She, too, does nice things for her, and Virginia loves them for their thoughtfulness and concern for her.

Her daughter, Virginia Faye, married Russell Cummings, and they have two daughters and five of her grand-children. They want her to come and stay with them and not be alone.

Her daughter, Collene, married Glade Casper, and had two children by him. He was killed in a truck-car accident, which was a tragedy to her and her parents and family.

Collene later married Max Napier, and they lived in Wyoming. She came to visit her mother for the Fourth of July and stayed over night. She slept up stairs. When she came down stairs the next morning, she was quite ill, and laid down on the floor. Her mother summoned help. Betty called the ambulance, and she was taken to the hospital, where she died on July 4, 1978 of a brain hemorrhage. This was a great tragedy to her mother and family.

Virginia has had enough sorrows to break the heart and constitution of any strong, healthy person. I marvel at her strength to carry on and bear her burdens well.

That was not to be the end of her sorrow either, as her oldest son, Robert became ill, and was quite ill of Cancer. His dear wife took good care of him. He had to go to the hospital in Salt Lake for treatment for the Cancer, but he passed away on February 17, 1985, at age sixty-four. She bore this sorrow well too, and I marveled at her strength to endure this great sadness. Virginia has the right attitude in handling these trials. I don't think I could stand all she has endured.

Virginia has been a widow 44 years, and has worked very hard during her life time. She has truly had the "Pioneer Spirit". She has made the Desert blossom as the rose. She still grows a big garden, and yard full of flowers. I know that is a lot of hard work, as I grow a garden, and I know how hard it

Virginia has outlived her father and mother's family, her husband son and daughter. She will be 87 years old on November 2, 1985, and that longer than most people live and are able to even walk around, let alone all the things that she keeps doing. She is very independent, and has a strong will to keep active and doing for herself, in spite of the fact that she has not laid down in a bed to sleep for the past two and one-half years. She sleeps in a reclining chair, as she has to have the oxygen from an oxygen tank. So, she sleeps on the recliner and covers up with blankets. In spite of this, she still figures on growing her garden and flowers. This Spring, her children didn't think she should work so hard in a garden. Forrest said to her: "Mother, you don't need to grow a garden this year, and I am not going to plow up that garden spot." She said, "That's all right with me, but I will get a shovel and dig up a garden spot and grow a garden anyway." So Forrest plowed up her usual garden spot, and she did grow it and harvest it, and put it away for winter. Now that's dedication and determination against all odds! So you see the strong spirit and determination she has to work and achieve her goals.

She doesn't only grow gardens, but from Faye's tribute, she does fancy work and makes pretty things.

I asked Virginia if she ever goes back to Mammoth and Silver City. She said, "No, they are no more, as they both became ghost towns." One day a family's daughter came up missing, and the family searched everywhere for her. The people there kept telling them that she had probably ran away and got married. Her father said, "She would never do that." He never gave up finding her. One day he went to look in the old vacant houses in Mammoth and Silver City, and he found her dead body in one of the houses. She had been murdered. He buried his daughter. Then he went back and burned down every house in both towns, so that would never happen to any one else's daughter.

I am honored to give this sketch of Virginia's life and pay tribute to her. I think the world of her, and always have ever since I first met her when to Midway for my first time back in 1930, when I came to her mother-in-la funeral, at the age of fourteen, with my mother and her family m was my mother's father's sister, and her aunt, Rosetta Bigler. Cha and my mother were cousins.

I liked Virginia then, and I love her now. I'll never forget whe came to help the day my daughter, Barbara was born. She and Mary Kohler came and assisted Dr. T. A. Dannenberg, and the nurse with the delivery. It was a very hard one for me, as there were complications. I was so greatful for their help that day, and all she has done for me throughout my life. She was so good to my little girls, who loved to go to Aunt Virginia's home to play with Colleen. I lived in the "Lundin" home where Andy now lives, and was her neighbor for eight years. I can say she was a good neighbor and friend. So was Mary Kohler, and Earn and Alice Huffaker, when I lived down in Stringtown.

To know Virginia is to love her. She has a sunny disposition. She is a jolly, happy person, and makes the best of life as it comes to her. She and I have had many laughs together. She knows her joys and sorrows, and makes the best of them. I think her hard life has taught her this. She is honest, upright, and has sympathy and charity to all, and lives the "Golden Rule" - "Do unto others as you'd have them do unto you".

May the rest of her life be blessed to be happy so long as she lives. And my wish for her is, she will enjoy good health and the love of family and friends as she has shown love for her loved ones and her fellow men.

"Love to you Virginia, from a friend and neighbor, and
DAUGHTERS OF THE UTAH PIONEERS - MIDWAY HAWTHORN CAMP
By Neva Fillmore

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I have tried to find out how long Virginia has been a member of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers in the Hawthorn Camp, and her Membership comes next to Lorna VanWagoner's. Lorna has been a member since 1958 - twenty-seven years ago.

One thing I forgot to mention is that Virginia worked at the Schneitter's Hot Pots and the Homestead, baking hot rolls for them and pastries for Schneitter's.

TRIBUTE TO

RUBY ABEGGLEN BOSS

She is the daughter of Joseph F. Abegglen and Anna Elizabeth Burgener and has two sisters and one brother. Her parents knew the value of good honest work. They lived close to the earth . Her mother learned how and was able to yoke and drive oxen as a young girl and to milk the cows and work in the fields daily beside her brothers and sisters. As it was in Switzerland so it was in America, here in Midway, it was the custom that all the farmers would bring their cattle together and would have them graze on the hillsides. It was her responsibility many times to accompany these cattle up to Pine Creek where their milk would be turned into cheese and sold to the miners in Park City. Also, she was an accomplished seamstress and was on the sewing committee in Relief Society for many years sewing clothes for the dead, was a RElief Society teacher for 21 years and a recptionist for all the social parties and banquets. Her father was an industrious farmer and transported vegetables and beef to Park City, which was then a mining boom town. He learned to play the trumpet and was in the first brass band in Midway. He also was an accordian player and played tor all the dances, parties and socials and for many years he was a caller for the quadrill dances.

Ruby was baptized in the Ulrich Abegglen swimming pool on the mound in Midway, Utah, when she was 8 years old. It was very cold weather and her mother wrapped her up in blankets, put her on her back, and carried her up to the swimming pool and then carried her back home.

There was no electric pole lights outside and with the neighborhood children they would run and play games such as "hiding go seek" and "run sheep run" and "kick the can" ect,, and think nothing of it. At this time there were no cars, only horse and buggy and wagons to go in. Ruby would help her mother sew the rags to make homemade carpets for their home and they would use a carpet streatcher to pull it and place it on the floors and would use nice clean straw for the mat under the carpet. There were no electric lights and so they would use candles and coal-oil lamps. She would play chords with her father while he played the accordian and the family would get together and sing songs very often and one of their favorites was the "Old Rag Carpet" sung to the tune of the "Old Oaken Bucket."

Her two grandfathers were converts to the L.D.S. Church and came to America from Switzerland. Conrad Abegglen immigrated in 1860 and he was the kindest old man and had the most beautiful flower garden. He loved to raise flowers. He went on a Swiss and German Mission in 1890 to 1891 and converted the Conrad Gertsch family in Switzerland that later came to live in Midway. Wilford Woodruff was President of the L.D.S. Church at that time and she still has the letter with his own handwriting asking him to go on this mission.

Andreas Burgener immigrated in 1872 and he was a wonderful musician. He

He studied music in his native land and became a bugler in the Swiss Army and bandmaster of the Swiss Military Band. When he joined the L.D.S. Church and decided to come to America he was advised by the church missionaries to bring musical instruments with him and they quickly became the nucleus of a brass band when he arrived in Midway to make his first home in America. The thrilling music of this band made holidays and celebrations unforgettable. He would always have some old fashioned round peppermints in his pocket that he would give to the children and did they ever like that.

Ruby graduated from the Midway School with high honors. Her uncle, Arnold Burgener, who was the son of Andreas Burgener, taught music and he had her play an organ solo at the graduation services in the Midway 1st Ward. His orchestra played for the graduation dance and before the dance they gave a band concert on the lawn of H.T. Coleman home (Lethe's home) and it was really a big affair.

She first met her future husband, Conrad Boss, at a dance that was given to honor the boys who had volunteered to go to war - this was World War I. He and Bernard Kennah, Nate Springer, Francis Probst, Walter Burgener, LaMont Epperson and Tracy Blood were the first volunteers in Wasatch County. He took her home from the dance that night and they thought from the first time they went out together that they were meant for each other. They were married on October 18, 1921, in the Salt Lake Temple and were blessed with two children, June and Jay. Conrad loved to sing and play his guitar and they would sing duets together and entertained at many socials, parties, ect., and really enjoyed it.

Ruby has always been very active in church and community affairs. She began working in the church when she was 14 years old and first worked in Primary as a teacher and organist and later served in the Presidency. On October 10, 1966, she recieved a Special Primary Award Certificate and Service pin for serving in the Primary . She has also served as the Ward Organist, organist in Mutual, organist and Theology teacher in Relief Society, and Jr. Sunday School Chorister in Wasatch Stake over the years.

In the year 1939 she was elected President to the P.T.A. with Clarence Probst as first counselor and Doris Nicol as second counselor and Olive Kinsey as Secretary and she held this position for 5 years.

In the year 1950 Ruby was President of the Midway Garden Club and she was chosen to win the special "Fred Augsburger " award which consisted of a trophy and orchid for doing the most in civic beautification for the Town of Midway in planting shrubs, trees, and flowers. Also, she has won many trophies and ribbons on her flowers at the Utah State Fair, Wasatch County Fair and Midway Swiss Days flower shows.

At the present time her home, which is the original Andreas Burgener home, has won state honors for 16 years in the Civic Beautification Program sponsored by the Salt Lake Tribune, Utah Garden Clibs, Utah State University, and Salt Lake Nurserymen's Association. I'm sure her grandfather, Andreas Burgener, would be very proud of this honor.

Her hobbies are raising flowers, gardening, music, and reading good books. I would like to close with one of her favorite poems entitled "God Is There."

GOD IS THERE

When I work in my garden I know God is there,
I see Him in the sunshine and breathe His fresh air,
I hear Him in breezes that through orchards blow,
Swirling sweet petals like new falling snow.

I know He is working in each living thing,
The bee in the hive, the bird on the wing,
The tiny brown seed asleep in the sod,
Within it a secret known only to God.

The fields and the flowers and giant old tree,
All speak of His care and He careth for me.
He's working beside me, I feel this is so,
For I know that without Him nothing would grow.

He works in the heavens and the depths of the sea,
Omnipotent God, He works even in me,
For I am so at peace and free from all care,
While working with Him in my garden most fair.

By Fannie O. Sterns

This tribute written to her mother by June Tatton.

A TRIBUTE TO

Naomi Alice Vale Burgener

Her pioneer ancestors came to Utah with a company of 20. Captain Miller's Company. Her Great Grandparents Eliphas and Hannah Hustad Marsh were early converts to the L.D.S. Church. Her Great -grandfather dying in Nauvoo, Illinois. Her great-grandmother crossed the plains with her children and settled first in American Fork, Utah, where she endured many of the hardships as well as the blessings of the early pioneers.

Her grand-parents Cornilius and Mary Marsh White were also among the early pioneers. Her grand-father died when her mother was very young and her grand-mother married again to Samuel Thompson, he was of the sturdy pioneer stock and proved to be a good father to the children.

Her grand mother was always an active worker both at home and for the public. She helped the sick and spent much time in administering to their needs. She also h helped the poor and needy and she was active in church works, was a faithful member of the Relief Society. She remained a faithful member of the Latter-day- Saints Church throughout her life and remained firm in the convictions which brought her to this goodly land.

Her father John Vail was born June 7, 1864 and died March 1910. Her mother Alice White Vail was born Nov. 3, 1864 at Midway. Died May 18, 1948.

A TRIBUTE TO OUR MOTHER
BY
Doris B. Nicol

To the most loved woman and mother - Our Mother - Naomi Alice Vail Burgener.

She was born April 5, 1889, at Midway, Wasatch County, Utah. Daughter of John Riley Vail and Alice White Vail O'Neil.

She married George Albert Burgener and was later divorced. There were three children born to this union. Juanita, Geneva and Doris. Juanita died with childbirth, leaving a small baby girl named Juanita (Nita). This baby was raised as a daughter and sister.

Mother lived most of her life in Midway. She was Post-mistress for 38 years and retired in April 1959.

During that time she went many times to many Post Office Conventions and Tours. She was a Counselor in the Primary and taught a class in the Sunday School. Later she was president of the Y.W. M.I.A. for 8 years.

Since retiring she did Temple Work and Genealogy work. She was a member of the Daughter's of the Utah Pioneers and belonged to the Hawthorn Camp of Midway, and a member of the Garden Club.

She has 9 Grand children, 27 Great-grandchildren and 10 Great-great-grandchildren.

She was always a loving, kind, warm person, who always looked out for other people's needs. Whenever you walked into her door she hurried to set the table and insisted on your eating with her.

She is the person we will always hold most dear to us.

Other coments by Alberta Provost who read Naomi's Tribute to her said of her that she was ever helpful in seeing that people got their mail, even on Sundays if they wanted it and that there was no phone where school children could phone home to their parents except the one at the Post Office and Naomi would always invite them in to use her phone.

Ruby Provost a Loyal and true friend spoke lovingly of Naomi, that she was a true friend, and a wonderful neighbor and that she would do anything in the world for you. Never a word of gossip and was always good to everyone and that she didn't know of a missionary that went on a mission from Midway that Naomi didn't send money to each month while they were away.

Her Grandaughter, Neta Ross Zenger wrote the following Biography of Naomi for Alberta Provost for this occassion.

Naomi Vail Burgener was born April 5, 1889 at Midway, Utah. When a baby the family moved to Thayne, Wyoming, then to Yellowstone Park, then to Chapin, Idaho. She started School at Big Horn Basin. She had five sisters and four brothers.

She was married to George Burgener in Heber Aug. 15, 1906 by Bishop Jacob Probst. Naomi and George moved to Park City. On July 25, 1907 her first child Juanita was born. She had two other daughters Geneva and Doris Burgener.

Juanita died right after the birth of her first child, who was named Juanita. Naomi took her grandaughter and raised her as her daughter.

She held many Church positions in the Sunday School, RElief Society, Primary and the MIA. She loved working with the young people and they put on many plays in MIA.

In July 1921 she recieved her first appointment as Postmistress of the Midway Post Office. She loved her job at the Post Office. The Post Office was the 4th Class when she took it. It was located in an old Pot Rock building where the Midway Town Hall now stands. Wages were paid according to sale of stamps in those days. She averaged about $23.00 a month.

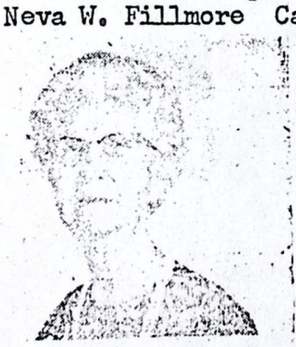
On July 1, 1945 the Post Office was advanced to 3rd class. Thelma Carlile was appointed as her clerk July 1, 1948.

She retired after 38 years. She never missed a State Convention and attended three National Conventions held for the Post Offices. She loved to travel.

Naomi loved people. She was always doing something for someone, but didn't want anyone to know about it.

When most of the boys went to war, Naomi said, "it was most interesting with my job when I could make someone happy, especially, young wives and mothers, by handing out mail to them from their loved ones in the service. No One can imagine the anxiety of those people and how they waited for a letter."

This Tribute was read to Naomi at the DUP meeting held for the Hawthorn Camp on October 19, 1981 at the Valley Art Center and since then the Daughter's dear friend and member passed away Nov. 2, 1981 in Draper. It has saddened our DUP Camp of daughters and the whole county and our town of Midway to loose a great woman, daughter, and friend as we feel she was to us. We shall always cherish her memory and the great person she was and offer our sympathy to her family and loved ones and friends. May her good works radiate to all of us to take her example and pass along the love and affection she had for all wherever she was. I feel I have lost a great friend,whom I used to enjoy so much attending the lovely temple sessions with her when she went with me many times to the temple at Provo and several times to Salt Lake City. She was always willing to go and would go as many sessions any one else went and never lagged behind the rest, but was full of life and on her toes and right up there with the rest of we who were younger. God bless her memory. Neva W. Fillmore Captain of the Midway Hawthorn DUP Camp.



ALICE NAOMI BURGENER

Alice Naomi Burgener, 92, died Nov. 2, 1981 in Draper.

Born April 5, 1889 in Midway to John Riley and Alice White Vail. Married George Albert Burgener Aug. 15, 1906 in Heber City. Later solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He died Sept. 1, 1968. Served as Postmaster in Midway for 38 years. Active member of the LDS Church including Temple, genealogy, missionary committee, Primary counselor, Sunday School teacher, President YWMIA 8 years. Member DUP and Midway Garden Club.

Survived by daughters: Mrs. Evan (Geneva) Hansen, Sandy; Mrs. Ned (Doris) Nicol, Orem; Mrs. Dean (Juanita) Zenger, Midway; 9 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren. Sister, Mrs. Orvel (Elsie) Henriksen, Salt Lake.

Funeral services will be Thursday, 11 a.m. at the Midway 2nd Ward Chapel. Friend may call at the Ward Chapel Thursday prior. Burial in the Midway Ceme-

BEULAH MARY HATCH TOLMAN BURGI

On the wintery day of February 26, 1904, in the small town of Imbler in northern Oregon, a baby girl was born to Reuben Jacob Hatch and Margaret Jefferson Dudley Hatch. This dark-eyed little girl was their 10th child and the 7th daughter born to them; they named her Beulah Mary. She had two younger brothers, making it an even dozen. Some time after Beulah was born her family moved back to Salem, Utah County, Utah. Her father was a truck garden farmer. He raised produce to sell to mining communities and other towns. He also did some dry-land farming. He also own and operated the Salem Mercantile Company. Beulah was a great help to him as she helped tend the store. She was very good in figuring up the totals on the sales. They moved to Benjamin, in Utah County, where her father opened up a larger mercantile store. Beulah graduated from Jr. High School in Benjamin in 1919. They soon moved back to Salem where she became aquainted with one of the local boys. Then on June 1, 1922, Beulah married Foster Lyman Tolman. This was the beginning of a long and difficult journey that would test and try her to the very limits of endurance and strength. This journey caused her to sacrifice many of her dreams, her desires for personal growth, and many of the basic human comforts. She was married to Mr. Tolman for 26 years, during which time she bore 13 children. A child was born about every two years. She had six sons and seven daughters, all are still living except for one son who died as a small boy.

The early years of Beulah's marriage involved considerable moving around. Her husband worked at different jobs--from ranch work to working in the mines. He changed jobs frequently, and with each change they moved to a new area or a new home. In the early thirties, they were living in Grandma Tolman's home, which was west of the pond in Salem. The older children were down swimming in the pond when the house caught fire from sparks on the roof, and it burned up almost everything they had. A couple of years later they moved to Garfield when Foster got a job in the Magna Mill. It wasn't long until they moved back to Salem. Salem was their home base. They always moved back when Foster lost his job. Beulah raised her family through the great depression, when work and money was so scarce. When the economic depression was over in the country, it wasn't over for her. There was never enough money to even supply the basics of human needs. But because of her pioneer heritage, both grandparents on both of her parents sides crossed the plains with the Mormon Pioneers, Beulah was able to dig down deep inside of herself and come up with the courage, strength and determination to raise her family with or without the help and support of her husband. Beulah received from her father's estate 5 acres of land east of the rodeo grounds in Salem. Her mother bought and moved a 3 room woodframe house onto the land; and the family, which had grown to 9 by this time, moved in. There was no electricity and no water in the home. The neighbors who lived across and down the street half a block let them get water until the town put in a line up to the house. They were just outside of the town limits. All the water for cooking, washing and bathing had to be packed in buckets. They got a Jersey cow, which the older boys milked, some pigs and chickens. From the rich milk ol' Bossey gave, she churned the yellowest butter in the neighborhood. She planted a vegetable garden and grew as much produce as she could to feed her growing family, for there wasn't much money to buy from the store. She would sell any surplus vegetables to raise a little cash. She would also bottle all she could for the long cold winters. She would go to the fruit farmers and pick fruit for payment in fruit, which she would preserve for the winter. Beulah did not waste anything. She would make bloomers and slips from sugar and salt sacks and dresses from flour sacks. She sewed clothes for her little ones on the old peddle singer sewing machine. For too many years she washed the clothes on a wash board, and to get the whites really clean, she would boil them in the boiler until they were spotless. She would heat the irons on the kitchen stove and iron on the legless board, which was stretched over two chairs. Even though they were a poor family, they were clean and well fed. She got her first washer in 1940, but she still had to heat the water in the boiler on the kitchen stove. At this time of intense struggle, in the Spring of 1942, the 3 room frame house caught fire while she was doing the laundry. Beulah grabbed her little babies and took them out by the fence near the street and went back into the burning house to look for her 4 year-old son Max. She couldn't find him and was screaming for him. He heard her screams from behind the barn and came around to see the house going up in flames while hearing his Mother's screams. This upset him very much. He went to live with his oldest sister, who was married, for a few weeks until they could get settled again. The only things that were saved from the fire were the clothes on the clothesline and some pots and pans in the stove. While they were away from the house someone stole the

pots and pans and even took the clothes from the clothesline. The family was left with nothing but what they were wearing. The townspeople came to their aid and gave them a table, chairs (one of which she still has), dishes, clothes, linens, bedding, etc. With nine unmarried children she had to start all over again. A short month later, little 4 year-old Max came down with appendicitis. During the operation there were some complications and he died. This was very hard on Beulah. You would think that with so many children she would not miss this one, but she did. She loved each and every one of her children very much and sacrificed greatly for them.

They moved into another small house near the center of town until they could find another permanent home. With the help of her mother and older children, they were able to get a lot and a home moved on to it in the center part of Salem. They built a shed for the cow, a chicken coop and pens for the pigs. There was room for a large garden too. Foster got a job in the coal mines, so they packed up and moved again to Dragerton in Carbon County. They were there about 2 years, then moved back to Salem where the 13th child was born. Before he was a year old, Beulah had made the decision that it would be easier on her to go it alone, so she and Mr. Tolman were divorced in 1948. She got a job in a laundry in Provo and during the terrible winter of '48-'49 she would be very late in coming home many nights because of the heavy snows. Her little children would anxiously await her safe return. One of the older daughters was missing school frequently because she would stay home and tend the pre-schoolers. The school investigated the situation and reported it to the county authorities. They made Beulah stop working and gave her county assistance to help care for the children. This was the beginning of a new life for this struggling family. For the first time in many years, there was a steady income. This gave Beulah an opportunity to buy some things they needed so much. They were able to get an inside bathroom with running hot and cold water. This replaced the big #3 tub that had been used in the kitchen to bathe in for so many years. She also set aside for the unexpected. In a few years she had enough to buy a piano. Beulah has always loved music, singing and dancing. The piano was probably the first luxury she brought into the home. She became more active in the Church, and became the ward magazine representative. In 1955 she went through the Salt Lake temple and received her endowments. A short time later she took her first vacation from home and went to Los Angelos with many of the Salem Ward members on a temple excursion. She even went down to Tijuana in Old Mexico. She became involved in the American Legion Auxiliary and the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers. She became more socially active by attending dances in Provo. While there she met a quiet, shy man who played the trumpet in the dance band, but who had never danced before. Through her coaxing he finally danced with her, and he has loved it ever since. In January 1958, she married the trumpet player from Midway, Orson S. Burgi. Beulah moved into Orson's home in Midway with the two youngest children, the older two children wanted to finish out their school year before moving up to Midway. The 26 years she has lived in Midway have been much less difficult, but have not been entirely trouble free. She had her day of daring excitement when she was in a motorcycle accident and was hurt quite badly. She has fallen a few times on the ice and broken a few bones; her hip was replaced by a stainless steel one. Through all these trials she has come out on top. Beulah has always taught her children to be independent. She would say: "Make do with what you have, work hard, own your own home, and save some of your money." Her greatest accomplishment is probably the raising of a fine family, each of whom are independent and own their own homes. Of her sons, two served in the Armed Forces, another served as a Bishop, and the other two fulfilled honorable missions for the Church. Three of her children have had their own businesses and have done very well. The rest have had steady employment and are very comfortable in their life styles.

Beulah has as living descendants 12 children, 45 grandchildren and 47 great-grandchildren. On February 26, 1984, many of her descendants gathered at the Homestead for a dinner to honor her on her 80th birthday.

Though she walked through the valley of the shadow of death, she feared no evil. For the Lord was with her to comfort her. He prepared a table for her and anointed her head. Her cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow her all the days of her life.

Martha Burgi

Martha Burgi
89th celebration

An open house was held recently to honor Martha Burgi on her 89th birthday.

She has been living with her daughter, Mr. Jay (Lacy) Fitzgerald, in Walnut Creek, California.

She is continually actice haveing made 32 afaghans in just the last year.

"She is going to live to be a hundred," said her niece.

Martha was looking good, and had a new hair-do for the ocasion.

A TRIBUTE TO MY PRECIOUS MOTHER

My mother, Martha Nydegger Burgi, and I had a very unique special relationship. Perhaps it is because I am the only girl. I'm not sure just why we got along so well, but the truth is, we did!

Mother had so very little of material value in her first years of marriage. She came from Bern, Switzerland at the age of 20. She taught herself to read and write the English language. She knew Swiss dialect, German, and French from her home-land in Switzerland. Mother worked so hard with very little conveniences. She made everything we had to eat or wear. She made her own soap, did cooking and canning on old coal stove, and heated water in a round tin tub, so we could have a bath and be clean for Sunday School. In this sense she was truly a Pioneer.

In the middle of the night sometimes Mother would come up missing. Daddy would tell me mother had gone to help the Doctor so the neighbor lady could have a new baby. Then she would tend the mother and the new baby for 10 days after birth. Mother always visited the sick and needy. She'd work in the vegetable garden and even in the hay fields. When she wasn't working outside she had a crochet hook in her hands and made beautiful, delicate lace for pillow-slips and even sheets. She did lovely hand work of all kinds, afghans and quilts galore and always ended up giving them away. Her hands were never idle, her Swiss bread (tzufa brot) and bratzlies were oh so delicious. Mother was very thrifty, she'd made delicious pies out of any berry, rubarb etc. that happened to be growing on the little farm.

Mother used to take me almost every place she went. She visited Swiss people often, and I even learned the Swiss dialect, anyway Mother could understand me! She'd often laugh the way I'd express thoughts. I learned to love music when she took me to Relief Society,(they didn't have a nursery in those days). Also she'd take me to Singing Mothers chorus practice;she directed. That's when I learned to love music and hearing my Daddy (Sam) sing. Frequently, for many years I'd get a phone call to leave my little family.
"Come home, Martha is very ill and not expected to live" Shortly after I'd arrive, she'd be on the road to recovery and it wasn't long till company came and Mother, Daddy and I would be singing Swiss songs and have them joining in with suggested favorites.

One of mother's greatest gifts was the gift of LOVE, she loved and cherished her friendships. After being in her home once, friends always returned for a delightful visit and treats. She truly loved and was loved!

Mother was a gracious Lady (her friends have expressed this to me). She was always giving, loving, full of gratitude and reaching out. She was blest with a sharp mind and delightful sense of humor.

God truly blest me, when he sent me from above
To be the daughter of Martha Burgi, to fill
my soul with Love!
Mother blest me with her clean living, and
taught me to kneel and pray
Her last few years she grew so weak, but she would always say,
"God blest me with my (Lacy) to tend me through the day
I'll cherrish with fond memory my mother's grateful heart
And thank Our Heavenly Father----that I could do my part---
To make her happy was my goal
And now, that she is gone---I'll not be lonely, nor so sad
Cause' her Memory lingers on!

Lacy Burgi Fitzgerald

Lacy B. Fitzgerald

MARTHA NYDEGGER BURGI

Martha Nydegger Burgi, 91, died April 6, 1982 in a Walnut Creek, Calif. hospital.

Born June 25, 1890 in Bern, Switzerland. Married Samuel Nephi Burgi Dec. 18, 1912 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He died July 3, 1978. She migrated to the USA at the age of 20 where she settled in Salt Lake City and later moved to Midway where she spent most of her life. She moved to Walnut Creek in September, 1978, where she has since resided with her daughter Lacy and her husband J.S. Fitzgerald. She was a member of the LDS Church in which she held many positions. She was also active in civic and community affairs.

Survivors are 2 sons and one daughter: Orson Burgi, Miday; Sylvan Burgi, Burley, Ida.; Mrs. J.S. (Lacy) Fitzgerald, Walnut Creek, Calif.; 9 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchilden. Preceded in death by her husband and two sons.

Funeral services will be held Saturday 12 noon, Midway First Ward Chapel. Friends may call at Olpin Mortuary, Heber City, Friday, 7-9 p.m. and at the church Saturday prior to services. Burial will be in the Midway Cemetery.

Walnut Creek, CA
May 27, 1982

Dearest Neva,

That was so thoughtful and kind of you to write such a precious letter. I appreciate the lovely card and each person that signed it. I can recall nice memories of each one of the ladies and I'd be grateful to you if you would convey our thanks and appreciation for their sympathy and concern.

No, I did not receive one of your D.U.P. books but I'd b really happy to have one. I miss Mother so very, very much but am so thankful she was with us in our home, almost 4 years. This June 25, she would be 92 yrs. old. She has lived a long beautiful life. She had her share of sick spells off and on but she was happy and content with our family life here and never never complained. She did miss all her dear friends in Midway. Many of you ladies wrote nice letters and sent cards frequently and that always made her day happier. Her mind was clear and bright and she had many pleasant memories of all of you.

This is about the only picture I have, hope it will do.' You many keep it, if you like.

Yes, we had an unusual winter also. It rained almost constantly. It has made Spring-time beautiful however, the roses have been so huge and beautiful this year. Mother had fresh flowers in her room the year around. If we didn't have any in the yard, my husband would bring a bouquet to her. He was very helpful, kind, and considerate during her time with us and that meant so much to her!

Thank you again for your dear letter, friends are so precious at times like death. I feel it an honor to write a Tribute to Mother. I pray that all of you dear ladies in Hawthorn D.U. P. will be blest for your thought= fulness and all the good deeds you do. My Love to all,

Midway oldest couple

Midway thanks Burgis

By Fawn Kohler

In our looking forward to a wonderful Swiss Days this Sept. 2 and 3rd. We are also at this time looking at our eldest couple, Sam and Martha Burgi, who have done so very much to make former Swiss Days really great.

They have led parades as Grand Marshall. Their enthusiasum through the years has been a joy to all who have ever met them.

Sam now in his 90th year uses a white cane and Martha sees for both. Their love and concern for each other still grows and their love and pride in their wonderful family still grows with their children Sylvan, Orson and Lacy Fitzgerald and their grandchildren and great grandchildren.

They expressed their love for the folks of Midway but feel happier to stay at home now days.

Sam was born in Midway Sept. 18, 1886 and Martha was born in Bern, Switzerland in 1890 on June 25th.

Martha came to this beautiful land with August Kohler when he returned from his mission. She had met Sam earlier when he was serving an LDS Mission in Switzerland.

Sam spent the first 2 years of his mission in Germany before going to Switzerland.

While Sam was in Nurberg, Germany he met Alexander Shriner who was the Branch Organist. They have been very good friends ever since.

Both Sam and Martha have been very active in all church and civic activities through the years.

In thanking her for kindnesses rendered in my behalf she admitted making over 300 baby quilts not to mention the exquisite sweaters, bonnets and bootees that her busy, happy fingers kept pouring out.

We want them and their family to know that Midway wishes to say "We Love You Sam and Martha", God bless you, all of your days here upon the earth and when it is your time to meet your maker. You will go with out pain nor suffering and will be received with open arms.

TRIBUTE TO CLARA HUBER

To the high school student today who rides to school in a sleek yellow bus, or is chauffered by a parent or who drives his own 4-wheel drive, it seems incredible that there is still living among us some whose transportation to high school was by horse and buggy. That is how Clara Huber commuted to high school. She drove herseld and left the horse and buggy at the "barn" which was about two blocks from school. At noon, she would feed and water the horse, bringing enough hay each day to feed him. In the winter a cutter replaced the buggy and quilts and lap robes and hot bricks provided comfort as they crossed the snow- drifted lane. Early in life she learned to be self-reliant.

After school she worked at a little corner grocery store owned by Gotlieb Probst, a crippled man. Here you could pick up a sack of salt or a package of soda if you ran out in the middle of baking a cake. She clerked in the store and did household tasks as well. This store was the delight of children and if they were fortunate enough to have an egg or a penny they could choose from a whole array of penny candy or cone shaped chocolates that melted in your mouth. If you had a nickle you could buy a package of By Ros gum. It was pink and had a delicious flavor. There were also Sen Sen breath knockers and other melt-in-your-mouth goodies. But the black and red jawbreakers in a glass jar on the shelf provided the greatest pleasure. Whether you chose red or black your tongue was dyed an ebony black or a brilliant red--and in a few seconds the colors would change to the most fascinating pink lavender, yellow and back tp red and black again and again, providing a whole afternoon of delightful pleasure. In those days salesmen who came to take orders were called drummers. One of the drummers who sold candy was none other than George Albert Smith, who in later years became President of the L.D.S. Church.

The Citizens Merc provoded employment during the summer. One of the bargains was shoes - at 25¢ a pair. They had pointed toes and spike heels and laced up to the calf. If you were unfortunate enough to have a pair you were singled out by the crowd as one who wore citizen shoes. One father with a family of girls found these shoes a great bargain and with a sharp axe could make them more comcortable by cutting off part of the heel.

A love of children and a desire to earn a living, prompted Clara to attend the BYU after high school graduation to train to become a teacher. She taught school in Wasatch and Davis Counties. Wages were low but the kids were just as smart. She spent many years educating boys and girls. Time is kind and today many of them remember her as she remembers them and is proud of their achievements. Only a couple of weeks ago when it was announced that Dr. Wallace Hess who would be operating upon President Ezra Taft Benson, Clara recalled that she taught Wallace Hess in the elementary grades. She also noted that while going through some of her momentos, she found a letter he had written to her when he graduated from High School and included a copy of the validictorian address he gave. Wayne West, another student, still remembers her birthday and celebrates it by taking her to dinner,

along with his wife and family and still brings them with him to visit her periodically, sends her plants too.

She has always had a genuine interest and talent for nursing and after her teaching years, she turned to nursing homes. For years she worked in the Salt Lake area, helping the unfortunate and comforting the ill. She was at the bedside of both her Mother and her brother Martin during their last illnesses. When uncle Joe Huber was not able to care for himself, she went to his home to take care of him and make him comfortable for the last years of his life.

Genealogy was one of the loves of her life. She spent countless days, months, years, searching for records and information at the archives, reading films, writing letters and compiling Book of Rememberances, going back many generations. Her correspondence has ended in procuring a valuable family history and countless new friends and relatives and uncovering new facts. Correspondence with a relative who is an editor in the east netted an interesting picture. He had gone to Switzerland and brought the picture back with him. The captiion he had written under the picture said - Our cousin, the President of Switzerland. It was thrilling to know that the President was on our grandmother Huber's line. Whether searching took her to Switzerland through the letter writing, to the archives in Salt Lake or to the Cemetery at Mound City -- new and valuable information was always being discovered. She also spent a number of years as a genealogy checker.

Temple work was the natural follow-up of genealogy searching and Clara visits the temple regularly and the endowments she has done covers over four figures.

She has always been a loyal member of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, of the Hawthorn Camp of Midway, serving for years as an officer and always helping the organization to grow. She has served a mission for the Church, was an officer in the YWMIA and has been a teacher, and choister in the auxilliaries. At present she is a Relief Society visiting teacher, where she magnifies her calling by going the second mile. Her daily walks lead her to friends and neighbors, where she always has a friendly word or some baked goody for everyone along the way.

In her spare time, she does beautiful handwork. One of her specialties is netting, an art she learned from a pioneer grandmother. These beautiful doilies, centerpieces and handkerchiefs find their way into the homes of her friends and family.

Her life has been built on the solid foundation of service. "Greater than genius, greater than power, greater than riches is the ability to pour out ones life for the uplifting of others." She has been a wonderful sister, aunt, cousin and neighbor. Her influence will be felt for many years to come.

Margurite, Matilda and Vera
Her sisters -

ELDA OLSEN KOHLER

In Iona, Idaho, a small town 8 miles east of Idaho Falls on Sept. 25, 1902 Mary Jane Cooper Olsen and T E Olsen were celebrating their anniversary. The day was full of excitement and memories of past anniversaries. It seemed to pass all too quickly. As the day was about to a close another excitement started taking place. Their third child was about to make its appearance. In those days a doctor was seldom available to make house calls and so a mid-wife was there to help Mary Jane with the birth of their first daughter, Elda.

With all the happenings that were making history at the turn of the 20th Century, life never seemed dull at the Olsen ranch. Early in Elda's childhood she and her family were to experience many hardships. The influenzia, pneumonia, and small pox epidemics were some of the worst in the history of the country. It seemed that one would be ready to take the quarantine sign down when another child would become ill and for three long weeks it would have to stay up. During this period of time the Olsen family was hit very hard as she and her brother Bert became seriously ill with pneumonia. Bert's condition became critical. Due to the lack of modern day medication many home remedies were used such as onion poltices and mustard plasters. All nursing and care seemed to no avail for Bert and some few days later he died. Many friends and neighbors were lost during those trying times.

Life on a dry farm in those days was very hard for the family. T E and Mary Jane were called to help settle Eagle Rock now known as Idaho Falls and hot and cold running water was almost unheard of. Water was carried three miles in barrels by horse and buggy. The roads were not of asphalt or oil and with all the chuck holes and rocks to miss, much of the water would be lost before getting it back to the ranch. Winters were very difficult with snow over the fence tops and drifting to keep most of the roads closed and difficult to feed their cattle. Summers were more enjoyable with swimming in the old swimming hole after a long hard days work and cool evenings spent at the ranch house. It was during one of those warm summer mornings when Elda's mother and brother Gene were milking cows, she watched from the door, as a lone stranger with two pistols on his side rode by the house. They watched with great anticipation thinking he might be another farmer with children their age and they would hear about other places of interest. As they watched he stopped at the neighbors house for some breakfast and soon their curiosity got the best of them. Trying to stay out of sight, they hid to watch as he ate his meal. He took the pistols and layed them on the chair at his side. As soon as the meal was over he stood and buckled the pistols back on, mounted his horse and rode off. A short time later a posse rode through looking for the stranger who later was known as a robber and bandit of the day. He had just held up the train, killed the conductor and then robbed it. The tales of Bill Nolan were soon known for and wide in that area. It was a rugged life-- Idaho-- a lot of wind for a one room log house and just acres and acres of waving grain waiting to be harvested.

Elda was the third child in a family of seven children. She has four brothers and two sisters. Of these seven children, there was a set of twins, Velma and Velsteen (Bill). Velma, Reed and Elda are the only ones now living.

Soon it was time for Elda to fill her mission for the church. Her call came to the Western States Mission. Arrangements were soon taken care of and she was on her way. As the months passed little did she know that upon her release she would meet the man she would marry. The train slowly started from Denver through the Royal Gorge and the returning missionaries were soon to meet a group of missionaries returning from the Swiss German Mission. Among this group one seemed to stand out from the rest. Reed Kohler was returing to his home in Midway, Utah and was anxious to see the leaves as he was returning home in one of the most beautiful times of the year in Heber Valley. The rest of the train ride into Salt Lake City seemed to fairly fly and then they were to part as Elda would travel on to Idaho Falls. A few trips were made between these two states and on the 5th of December that same year, 1928, they were married in the Salt Lake Temple.

These 80 years have gone by quickly for Elda. First starting a new life in a new area. Friends were quickly made, many of whom have been so faithful through the years.

They were blessed with four children; Kenneth, Ramon, Marden, and Dawnette. Each have married and have families of their own. Elda has 23 grandchildren and 6 great-grand children and her family, young and older are the joys of her life. Her sons have all filled missions and all are busy with families and their livelihoods.

She has been active in the Midway Booster Club from its beginning with her husband as the first organizer and president. She has held many positions in the church from Pres. of the Primary, in Mutual, Organist and Chorester for some 20-30 years and many teaching positions,also a member of the D.U.P. and Garden Club.

With her home located so close to the church, many ward dinners would not have been complete without borrowing some missing ingredient for the dinner and her phone was also an accessible necessity.

On May 1, 1961, Elda and Reed left for a mission to New Zealand. They were assigned to the Bureau of Information on the New Zealand Temple Grounds. They labored there for some nine months at which time Pres. Clay Cummings was released as Mission Pres. and Reed and Elda were called to be Mission Pres. and companions. Their time there was so enjoyable but both worked very hard to keep some 140 missionaries busy. They returned home in 1964 only to be called in the spring of 1968 by President Kimball to work with the Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma. They labored there for some 7 months when they were released in November to come home.

While Reed was working on the yards around their home in June of the next year he had traveled on his tractor to the farm for some top soil. While scraping the soil he was killed in an untimely accident.

Elda has missed her companion but spent these past years doing many things. She enjoys genealogy and has worked with her brother and sister to do as much as they can on their family lines. She quilts and has tried to do a quilt for her family members. Also crocheting is a special hobby and she has enjoyed it and has made many beautiful articles. She has been kept busy with amny other activities in her life. She has been a friend to many and is known far and wide for her good food and especially her bread and rolls.

The years have been good to Elda and she in turn has been a good example to her friends and most of all to her family. Many of her grandchildren enjoy visiting and asking for advice from her. She's not only been a Mother and Grandmother but also a good friend. Through the eons of time we as her family will ever be grateful for her caring, sharing, and concern in our behalf. No day has ever been so full that she hasn't had time to tend a small one, or run a meal to someone, or nurse one of us from an illness. Her knowledge of the gospel has been in inspiriation to we as her family. Like a light on a hill it has been a guide for many of us. We appreciate your greatness Mother and Friend, <u>we love you</u>.

Tribute to Garnet Watkins Probst in honor of her 80th Birthday

Garnet Watkins Probst was born October 19, 1902, to Francis Ohwiler and George Watkins. She was born at home and that home is east of Irvin Bowden's in Midway. Garnet was the oldest of 3 girls and a tribute to any family is the friendship and love they show each other. Not a day passes that one or the other doesn't call on the phone or visit the others. Her sisters are Lorna VanWagoner and Reba Mac Naughtan. Garnet has felt the power of the Priesthood in blessings of healing throughout her life. One of them was her recovery from smallpox and pneumonia as a small girl of 2.

She was blessed with beautiful natural curly hair, and when she was a little girl and on into her teens she was selected to be in plays and such because of her long curls and attractive face.

Her fine qualities were apparent early in her life. She has a lovely set of china play dishes which she was given for never being tardy or absent from school. Her parents never had to urge her to go to church and in her youth, M.I.A. was her first love. She participated in many plays and activities there. She loved dancing and would rather dance than eat. She had many beaus and lots of good times and one man told us how hard he had to hustle to win her, but he finally did in the end.

Garnet graduated from Wasatch High School and worked a few years in the Heber Exchange. On January 6, 1926, she married Joseph E. Probst in the Salt Lake Temple. This was 56 years ago. They have 2 sons, Calvin and Wayne. Garnet says she had to use the broom on them once in awhile. All boys must be alike. Calvin married Joan Hoover and they live in Charleston. They have 2 children. Wayne married Audrey Hicken and they have 6 children and live in Midway. Garnet now has 14 grandchildren.

Her most embarrassing moment happened at a Centennial dance when her slip fell down so that it dragged on the floor. She was dancing in a floor show and her partner kept stumbling on it.

Her home is a reflection of her good taste and she takes much pride in keeping it clean and homey. She is a most excellent cook. Her daughters are still trying to cook as good. She loves flowers and has spent many pleasant hours in her yard. Springtime in her back yard is a beautiful picture.

Garnet loves the Gospel and has always done as she has been asked in the church. Her church activities include Counselor in Primary and a teacher in that organization, Sunday School teacher, Gleaner teacher, and other teaching callings in M.I.A. Stake Work and Bussiness Leader in Relief Socity and President of the Midway 2nd Ward Relief Society and alsoteaching positions in Relief Society. She has filled a Stake Mission and mission to the Central States with her husband, Joe.

Garnet says her life has been filled with so many faith promoting experiences that it would be hard to pick out just one. A very special event in her life was when a group of missionaries werre picked to visit early places in Church history. She saw Liberty Jail, Temple site in Far West, the cemetary at Richmond where over 600 early church members and leaders are buried, and Adam-on-Diamon.

Garnet is truly a loving,compassionate friend. Many good cakes and breads have gone from her oven to those who need them, she has never been toobusy to stop and give help and assistance when she is needed.

Joe, her husband, pays tribute to Garnet. "She is a lovely woman, a wonderful mother, and humble servant of our Heavenly Father."

Her family pays tribute to her. She has always served them in every way. She has taught them the Gospel and reared them in righteousness. She has always been ready and willing to help in their homes when needed. Today she is concerned about her grandchildren and how they are and what is new in their lives. We love her.

TRIBUTE TO RUBY M. PROVOST
BY
HER CHILDREN

MIDWAY'S HONORED CITIZEN

Ruby M. Provost
Midway's Honored Citizen

Ruby M. Provost, lifetime resident of Heber Valley, has been chosen as Midway's Honored Citizen for 1981. She is the daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Lambert Montgomery, and the wife of Wallace B. Provost. She is the mother of four children now scattered across Utah. Her oldest son, Fay, is in Salt Lake. Daughter, Lois Pope, lives in Midvale. Son, Bob, lives here in Heber City and Ralph lives in Fruit Heights. She has ten grandchildren and twenty-eight great grandchildren.

Ruby has many loves in her life. Of course, her family is her first love, and then there is her church, which she has served well including twenty-four years in the Mutual. Her greatest love however, is probably for this valley, her state, and her country. "My father came to this country as a young boy", she recalls, "but he was so pleased to be in a free land, and he instilled that appreciation of freedom to his children. Consequently, I have always been interested in politics. Father said if you weren't interested then you weren't a good citizen".

Sister Provost served as a registration agent for 15 years, was a delegate to the State convention for many years, and even was a delegate to Washington one year. During World War II, she received three presidential citations for her work in civil defence, home nursing, and the Red Cross service. She helped to get the Town Hall built under the W.P.A.

Ruby has been a member of Midway City Council and is a member of the Midway Boosters Club. She has served as President of Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, and has presided over the Garden Club for seven different terms. Along with others, she helped to instigate the annual Christmas Party for the town, and the musical entertainment which has become a big part of Swiss Days.

Ruby Provost

'Citizen of the Year'

Midway — Ruby Provost, Midway's Citizen of The Year, will receive special recognition during the Swiss Day's celebration Sept. 4 and 5.

Mrs. Provost will ride in both parades scheduled for Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m.

A part of the Saturday night musical program at 7:30 p.m. in the town hall will be devoted to honoring Mrs. Provost for her many contributions to the community. A tribute will be given by Thelma Hair, and a plaque will be presented by the Boosters Club. Her family will be in attendance

Taken Dec. 26, 1979 at Ruby's 80th Birthday Open House

Ruby's mother died when she was 9 years old. She never had anyone to teach her how to cook, as when her sister Hazel married and left the home, she took all of their mother's recipes with her. As a result, Ruby had to learn to cook just by doing it. Ruby is really an excellent cook. She keeps a clean house, is very modest, Keeps herself immaculate and well groomed and always looks nice.

Ruby is very dependable and is one that gets things done when she has a job to do or assigned a responsibility. She's given many hours, of her time, to church and civic duties. We can all be proud of her for serving many years on the Town Board where she promoted many of the things that we are enjoying today.

She was 1st Counselor to Naomi Burgener in the MIA for 12 to 14 years. Others who worked with them, were Emma Probst, Berdine Huffaker, Iona Huffaker, Melba Probst, Vay Allison, and Norma Bollschweiler was the Secretary. They put on a lot of plays,which were niceplays , and she loved the young girls and had fun working with the other ladies. She has also worked in the Sunday School and Primary.

Many hobbies fill the hours of this spirited, active lady. She loves flowers, has been assigned to organize and promote flower shows, grows a good garden each year and keeps a great looking yard. She has made over 200 quilts, to date, and is still going strong. All her family members have several. Many hours have been donated for fund raisers.

She is a good neighbor, thoughtful of others, especially in times of troubles or sorrows and has carried food to homes where sorrow enters and always contributed to everything she's asked to do in the Church, DUP organization and other civic organizations.

She is a member of the Garden Club where she has served as president many times, and she has been an officer in the Booster's Club and the Home Culture Club.

Ruby is proud of her heritage and her ancestors. Her parents, brothers, and sisters, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and relatives are her most important possessions she has in life not to mention her friends.

At one time they were told in the ward to notice someone in the ward or town that was their ideal as a person and to tell that person. She choose Beth Probst and when she told Beth, she cried to think Ruby would choose her. She had other special friends and one was Cree Probst. She shared many things together with her. She has a great love and respect for Naomi Burgener who is a special friend to her. She paid her this tribute, "She's a great friend, thoughtful, no gossip, the best neighbor in the world, a very pleasant and sweet person and a good friend to all, and that she contributed to every missionary that was on a mission for our church from Midway. Ruby has a love for all people.

I think it is important at this time to mention the strong, stern example she has set for her family. She was and is a no monkey business Mom motivated all four of her children to "make something of yourself, and do the best you can at any task and surround yourself with people displaying high standards and positive attitudes."

She is extremely kind with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. They love her and want to be with her. She makes them feel special and somewhat grown up. She always has treats and food in the house for anyone arriving on the scene. She is always trying new recipes and loves to share everything she has. She is interested in world affairs, reads everything within touch and never misses birthdays and Anniversary dates of her family members and friends. As her children, it is difficult to live up to the example she has set, but she also has given us the drive and motivation to try.

Tribute to Ina Sulser

By

Her Niece, Fern M. Rothe

Ina Sulser was born December 23, 1902, to John and Mary Margret Keller Sulser. The eleventh child of twelve children. Glade, the youngest brother, died in infancy.

Anut Ina had just finished 8th grade when she was ill from a Toxic Goiter. She went to Provo and Dr. Aird operated on her for two differnt kinds of goiters.

After a weeks time, Aunt Ina left the hospital and was taken out to her sister, Bertha Fowers in Orem.

My mother and I traveled on the Heber Creeper to Aunt Bertha's so my mother could care for Aunt Ina 'till she had recovered from her operation. Dr. Aird stated he did not Aunt Ina to go back to school for one year. She stayed home for a year and then decided she was too big to go back to school.

That summer, after the recovery from her operation, she was called to take care of Eliza Kummer Broadhead, a neighbor who lived close by Grandmother Sulser's.

The mid-wife who was Aunt Cordelia Wilson became ill and could not care for the mother and the twins, Zelma and Thelma Broadhead. Grandmother took Aunt Ina over to Eliza Broadheads and told her she would teach her how to care for mother and the twins, which she did. One of the twins had a cancer on her side when she was born. When the infant was about three months old, they operated and removed it. The twin girls grew to mature womanhood. Each had families of their own. This was Aunt Ina's first experience in nursing.

When Aunt Ina was nineteen years old she married Charles A. Weitz and moved to Park City. They were married for seven years. During this time she did much nursing. From the top of Main Street to the bottom of Main Street in Park City. Many times she was never paid for services and when she was, the pay was very small. Aunt Ina worked for Dr. Barta and Dr. Goodwin. They would send for her many times in the night. She was always there to assist them.

One time Aunt Ina was called out on a confinement case. The mother had Venereal Disease. The doctor told Aunt Ina to be sure and wash her hands real good with Lysol solution and not to touch her face.

My aunt states that the Lord has really protected her in her work. She has always been dedicated in compassionate service and never turned anyone down in their plea for help.

After seven years Anunt Ina had a baby boy, Stanley. Twenty-one months later she had a baby girl, Coleen, she died when four months and sixteen days old, this being Aunt Ina's birthday.

Her married life was not a happy one. She was mistreated much of the time. I recall as a young girl how Aunt Ina would call my mother up and tell her how she had been mistreated. Mother and Father would go over to Park City and bring her over to our home in Heber to stay for awhile.

Aunt Ina is now three months pregnant and finds that she has to have her second goiter operation. Dr. Galliger operated on her at the Holy Cross Hospital. She completely lost her voice and could not speak for seven to eight weeks. It was during this time that she realized she had had enough abuse. She got a divorce and moved back to Midway with Grandmother Sulser.

One Sunday morning while she was playing rolls on Grandmother's player piano, she wished she could sing along with the music. All of a sudden her voice came back to her, which almost frightened her. Immediately she ran to the kitchen to tell Grandmother. Grandmother said, "You'll never know how many times we prayed for you."

When Aunt Ina's twins, Jay and Kay, were born, my mother, Lillie Jones cared for Aunt Ina and the twins. When the twins were small Aunt Ina married C. D. "Carl" Walton. They had some happy years together. Carl built the little home she now lives in; but it was not finished when he passed away.

It was back in 1914 that Mervin Lewis from Heber was the first boy friend that Aunt Ina had. It was back then that Aunt Ina and Mervin were sitting on Grandma Sulser's porch one night when Grandpa Sulser came out and said, "if you don't send that kid home I'll throw him in the ditch." Mervin left. When he got down to the Town Hall where he left his bike he found someone had cut his tires, Mervin had to push his bicycle all the way back to Heber. As luck would have it this friendship was renewed in 1958, and they were married August 18, 1958.

Mary Ann Shilts was a dear friend of Grandma Sulser. She was given compassionate service when no one else seemed to care. Aunt Ina was there giving Mary Ann the care and attention she needed.

Aunt Ina will long be remembered for the gracious lady, special nurse, loving companion, sister, and very special aunt that she is. Mother, Grandmother and good neighbor.

Aunt Ina also took care of Myrtle Hamilton when she had Rosalie, her last child. The baby arrived forty minute befor Dr. Wherrit got there. The baby was born with a veil over her face. A still small voice said to my Aunt Ina, "Remove that from the baby's face", which she did. Mother and infant got along fine.

She was a Relief Society Visiting Teacher one year at Hooper, Utah, one year in Salt Lake City, Utah, several years in Park City, Utah and many years in Midway, Utah in the Second Ward. She still Relief Society teaches with Clara Huber of Midway, Utah Third Ward.

Was Chaplain for Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Hawthorne Camp for eight years.

....Writtern by a niece,
Fern M. Rothe
Septembr, 1983

TRIBUTE TO LETHE TATGE

Today I would like to pay a tribute to my aunt Lethe Tatge - a charming, gracious lady. Although she will soon be eighty-eight, she is still a vital, vivacious person.

Through her mother's influence she learned to love good literature. In the evenings Grandma would read to her children. They learned recitations together and played games. Grandma wrote and directed dramatic sketches. Aunt Lethe believes it was from this influence and background that she learned to excel in the love of drama.

She tells a story of her parents early in their courtship. "Father and Mother were taking part in a home talent play; in the play they were lovers. During a love-making scene, an old Scotch lady in the audience, named Betsy Ross, stood up and shouted, "Ah, that's no actin'; we're seein' the reality."

Drama was an important part of Lethe's early life and still is today. While Lethe was still in High School, the Chautauqua began. This was one of America's great cultural movements. The Chautauqua brought lectures from all over the world to American cities. For several years she was stage manager, then a lecturer who enriched the lives of many.

After marrying and making her home in Midway, her talent was again recognized. She starred in Commercial and Church movies. She was the star of "The Mailbox" which won many national and international awards, including the Golden Eagle, The Chicago International Film Festival, Gold Camera Award, Mental Health Film Festival; this film also won the highest award given by Information Film Producers of America, Learning Magazine's Best of the Year Award, International Association of Motion Pictures and Television Award, and one from Deigh-Whipper.

I'm eagerly awaiting to see "Joseph, the Man," her latest movie.

Aunt Lethe still maintains and lives in the old family home. This home has been cited as one of the lovely old homes in America. It's history is written and filed in the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

Not many people can combine gentleness with efficiency, but Aunt Lethe, with kindness and warmpth, ably took care of her parents as long as they were here on earth. All this time, she managed the spacious grounds, the large home and performed many church duties. She taught classes, spoke at funerals, gave lectures, was on the Stake Boards of Sunday School, MIA, and RElief Society.

As you of DUP know, she spearheaded the compiling and publishing of that splendid volume "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains."

She tenderly nursed and cared for her beloved husband, Francis. After his death a note was found in which he wrote: "If Lethe should pass on before I do, I want it to be known that I want to be buried in the Midway Cemetery. I want to be buried overlooking the little valley that has been heaven on earth to me." What a comfort and joy it must be to you to remember the kind and loving care you gave, the beautiful memories you cherish of your lives together; of the joy and hapiness.

I pray you will recieve the blessings and comfort you have given. You always find time in your busy life to greet all who come to call. Young and old feel as I do-that you give encouragement when it's needed. I appreciate the sound advise you've shared with me. We've had countless good talks thro' the years. Your wisdom, sensitivity and talent make you loved by all. I know your host of friends join the DUP in extending their affection and best wishes to you.

by Maude Derry

Lorna Watkins Van Wagoner

A TRIBUTE TO LORNA WATKINS VAN WAGONER IN HONOR OF HER 80th BIRTHDAY

Lorna Watkins Van Wagoner was born December 12, 1904 to Francis Ohwiler and George T. Watkins. She was the third of four daughters. One dying in infancy. She was born at home, and the home is east of Irvin Bowden's home in Midway. This was a very close and loving family. Never a day passed that they did not call or see one or the other.

Lorna was very good to her parents. She went down to their home every morning and always called each evening to make sure everything was fine. She showed her love in actions as well as words. Lorna is very proud of the masonry work her father and grandfather have built in the Midway area.

Lorna has lived in Midway all her life. She went to grade school in Midway and to High School in Heber City and graduated from Wasatch High School. She was always active in school because of her beauty and willingness to participate. As a young lady she worked for the old Bonner Merc located in Midway.

She married Burton Bronson Van Wagoner October 4, 1927 in the Salt Lake Temple. She was born into a very religious home and keeps a very religious home in her own married life. She has held many religious positions in the church. She was Relief Society President when her husband was called to the position of Bishop in the Midway 1st Ward on April 24, 1955. She and her husband held these two positions for several months together before she was released. Her home was located next to the church house. The church had no running water at that time so she had to pack water for all of the socials and church parties. They worked side by side together in organizing the fund raising projects to pay for the building and remodeling of the old Midway 1st Ward Chapel. She supported him in the long hours that being Bishop took him away from his home and family. They released her husband from Bishop in 1966.

For many years Burton and Lorna traveled to the Salt Lake Temple once a week to do endowments. They didn't let the weather stop them. This was a great joy to Lorna's life for she loves the gospel.

Born under the covenant were four lovely children, three sons and one daughter. Harvey, Doyle, Dallas, and Madelyn. Harvey married Dorothy Street, Doyle is married to Shanna Milliner, Dallas is married to Mary Ellen Agnew, and Madelyn is married to Larry Pickford.

Times were not always the best for Lorna. She had her trials. When her beautiful daughter which she had prayed for, was born, Lorna was very ill. They did not know if she would live to raise this most precious girl. She spent many months in the Salt Lake hospital. Doyle had pneumonia several times. Dallas had rheumatic fever and spent one year confined to bed. Lorna with her sincere love for our Father in Heaven did not let these things alter her faith. She prayed with faith and love to Father in Heaven for that which is the Father's will.

Burton and Lorna have a very happy and successful life together. They have been successful in their business ventures. They owned a dairy farm in Midway. They started Van Wagoners Meat shop and worked together, Burton cutting and Lorna wrapping. They also owned Turners Motel and Cafe in Heber City.

Lorna Watkins Van Wagoner

Lorna is a very hard worker. She has always kept a spotless home and is an excellent cook and homemaker. She keeps a beautiful yard and flower garden. You never see her when she isn't very neat and her hair done beautifully.

She always loves her neighbors and friends and tries to help them in any way she can. She is always there to help the sick in her ward and in her community. Most of all she loves her family and her husbands family. She could never say enough nice things about them and enjoys being around them and visiting. She is so proud of her children's achievements in life, and attends anything they participate in. She is also the proud Grandmother to her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Her family pays a great tribute to her on this 80th Birthday. We love her so very much.